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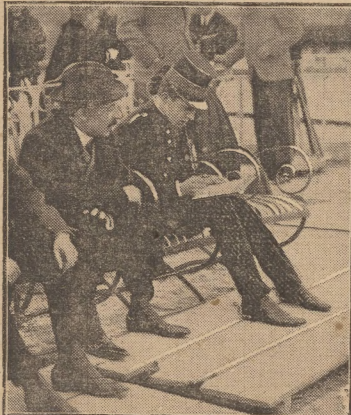
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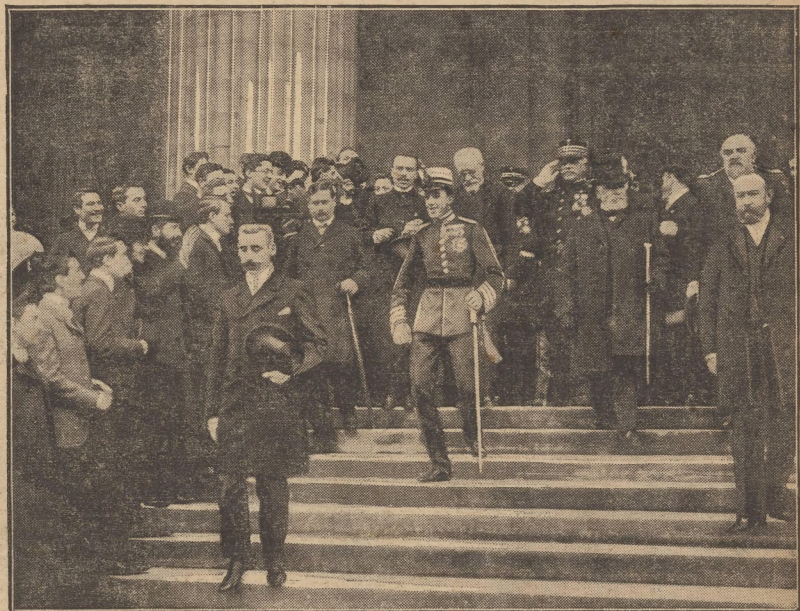
PICTURES OF SPAIN'S KING, WHO ESCAPED ASSASSINATION YESTERDAY



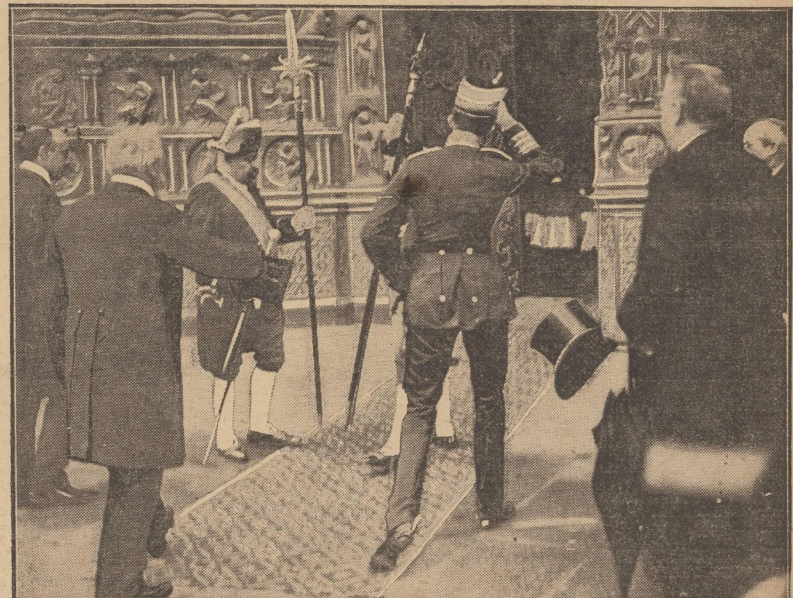
The attempted assassination of the young King of Spain has aroused great indignation in Paris, where his good nature has made him extremely popular.



King Alfonso as a private gentleman, with some of his personal friends, at a shooting-match. On these occasions all ceremony is laid aside.



King Alfonso's departure after a visit to the Paris Markets, where he delighted the market-women by cordially shaking hands with them, as well as kissing the girl who officially welcomed him. On the step behind him on his left is seen President Loubet.



A back view of the King, taken as he was entering the famous Cathedral of Notre Dame in Paris. He is an energetic sightseer, and has been visiting all the principal places of interest in the gay city. President Loubet has been most assiduous in accompanying him everywhere, and is here shown on the left of the photograph.

MILLIONS LOST TO THE NATION.

Officers Squandered British
Gold in South Africa.

SENSATIONAL REPORT

War Office Committee Says Fuller
Investigation Must Follow.

The *Daily Mirror* military correspondent obtained possession yesterday of a copy of the sensational report of the War Office Committee appointed to investigate the loss to the nation which arose out of the improper disposal of South African military stores after the war.

This loss is estimated by the Committee at some millions sterling, and they think these could have been saved if the War Office had sent out, when the war ended, a special staff to wind up business upon business-like lines. How far from business-like the actual lines were is shown by the Report's extraordinary disclosures.

At the beginning of June, 1902, when peace had been declared, there were enormous quantities of army food and forage in South Africa. At that time food was scarce in the country. Money was plentiful. The accumulations ought to have been sold at a good profit. Instead of that they were sold at an enormous loss.

BOUGHT BACK AT HIGHER PRICES.

How was this? It was due to the fact that, instead of using the food and forage for the troops remaining in South Africa, we sold them to contractors, and then in large quantities bought them back for the use of the troops at an increased price.

For example. There was a contractor named Meyer. He bought oats from the Sales Department at 11s. per 100lb. He sold the same oats back to the Supplies Department, without moving them from their store-house, at 17s. 11½d. per 100lb.

On every 100lb. he thus cleared a profit of 6s. 11½d. At one time he was making a profit upon oats alone, according to the Committee, of £2,000 a day.

Who was Meyer? He is described as "a person possessing a remarkable mental grasp of the necessities of a financial situation." He was also in close business relations with Mr. F. C. Morgan, brother to Colonel Morgan; and Colonel Morgan was Director of Sales and Director of Supplies as well!

FAVoured CONTRACTOR.

Small wonder that the Committee find Meyer to have been a "favoured" contractor, or that they declare the "ultimate goal" of the Sales and Supplies Department to have been the handing over to a few contractors of the great bulk of the surplus food and forage belonging to Government at "absurdly low prices."

The Committee ask why contractors who act thus "in collusion with military underlings" are not brought to book. They further remark frequently upon the "background which we cannot pierce"—a background in which are caught "glimpses of substantial financial persons," "nebulous civilian personalities."

Documents, they point out, have been "lost" or destroyed, witnesses had "defective memories," "silence and omissions" in dealing with the authorities at home are noted. It is clearly imperative that a proper legal inquiry should be held.

GROSS CARELESSNESS.

The other cases referred to resemble more or less that of Meyer, though in most of them there is less suggestion of fraud and more of carelessness.

The other officers censured, besides Colonel Morgan, who is very severely dealt with, are:—

Colonel Hipwell, A.S.C., who was "entirely unfit" for his position as assistant and then successor to Colonel Morgan.

Captain de la Payne.

Major Walton.

Officers of the Army Pay Department,

Pretoria.

Captain Limond, author of "several of the gravest irregularities brought to light."

Two staff-sergeants, Mills and Honeybull.

Other officers who were connected with the Supplies Department are not mentioned by name at this stage. Evidently there is much more to come before the worst scandal which has ever affected the British Army—worse even than those which followed the Crimean War—is brought fully into the light.

DIARY OF AN M.P.

Will Mr. Lowther's Moustache Have
To Be Sacrificed?

HOUSE OF COMMONS LIBRARY, Thursday Night. —There is much speculation in the Lobby as to who will have the privilege of proposing the election of Mr. Lowther as Speaker. I understand that Mr. Wharton will move it from the Government side of the House, and another Conservative will second it. This is to leave the Opposition free to oppose Mr. Lowther in his candidature at Penrith. I hear, by the way, that the Irish Party are quite hostile to the election of Mr. Lowther to the Speaker's Chair.

On this subject there is much amused speculation as to the fate of Mr. Lowther's moustache, and the great question of the moment is whether he will conform to Parliamentary traditions and present himself, like his predecessors, with an aspect clean-shaven. Mr. Speaker Peel, upon his election, graciously consented to the removal of unlooked-for hair in a Speaker, but it is by no means certain, although Mr. Lowther is not exactly bearded like a pard, that he will consent to make the necessary sacrifice of his ruse appendages which the canons regard as superfluous in a Speaker.

Already three bets have been made on the subject for very considerable amounts, and the participants and their friends are keenly canvassing to ascertain Mr. Lowther's views on this momentous question.

"LABBY'S" MOTOR STORY.

Some strong language was used in the House this afternoon on the subject of motor-cars. Mr. Sources said that by the misuse of motor-cars the condition of things in villages belonging to his constituency was like "hell let loose."

"When I was in Italy," said "Labby," "I got a motor-car, and got a man to drive it."

"The first week he ran over a child; the second week he ran over another child; and the third week he ran over yet another child."

"Altogether, with fines and indemnities, it became most expensive."

"So I spoke to a friend, and he said: 'I know that man; he's employed by a friend of mine, and he sticks his family in the way!'"

LOVE THAT KILLS.

Pathetic Last Message of Woman Who Preferred Death to Solitude.

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.)

PARIS, Thursday. — "Perhaps," says the "Matin," "it will be interesting for lovers to know that there are still women in Paris who are able to die of love."

Hortense Emprier, a little laundress, pretty, blonde, and only twenty-four years old, was found in her room yesterday half-suffocated with gas, but smiling in spite of her pain.

But a short time ago her lover, a man named Roland, was killed in the street by a circus rider over an affair of the heart.

Before she turned on the gas the little laundress wrote this simple note and placed it on the table:—

"Decidedly I cannot survive my poor dead love."

Hortense was taken in a critical state to the hospital by her neighbours.

TO RIVAL THE DURBAR.

How the Gorgeous East Will Welcome the Prince of Wales.

Throughout India, lavish preparations are being made for the visit of the Prince of Wales, which will far surpass in magnificence anything of that kind that the gorgeous East, from the time of Aurunbebe, has ever beheld.

The Prince will stay at Government House, on Malaba Hill, and the Bombay Horse, volunteers comprising the principal English gentlemen of Bombay, are to have the honour of escorting and guarding the Prince during his stay in that city.

BLOWN THROUGH RIVER BED

Workman Claims £5,000 for Being the Victim of Extraordinary Accident.

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.)

NEW YORK, Thursday. —Richard Creedon, of Jersey City, who was blown by a compressed air explosion two months ago out of the East River tunnel and through the sandy bottom of the river and the river itself, has sued the New York Tunnel Company for £5,000 damages.

If Creedon loses his suit, he proposes to go on the stage. He claims his nerves have been so shattered by the accident that he can no longer perform manual labour.

The initial "D. F.," assigned to Northampton under the Motor Car Act, are so objectionable to motorists of that town that many have been registering their cars elsewhere.

ROMANCE OF POVERTY

Aged Guardian's Marriage with a
Former Workhouse Inmate.

The Hull Workhouse romance has culminated in the marriage of Mr. Jickells, one of the guardians, to Miss Bean, an ex-inmate.

The bride's father was formerly a friend of the bridegroom, and at his death Miss Bean, left without resources, was forced to go into the workhouse.

"It was a great grief to me," said Mr. Jickells, "when I discovered her under this roof."

Pity led to love, and the aged guardian, who is over seventy years of age, proposed to Miss Bean, who is not yet forty, and was accepted.

Shortly after noon yesterday the aged guardian and his bride walked to a registry office and were very quietly married. The only witness was another member of the Hull Board of Guardians. The registrar's clerk acted as second signatory.

After the ceremony Mr. and Mrs. Jickells walked home from the office, and later in the day left for one of the East Coast pleasure resorts for the honeymoon.

YACHT AMONG ICEBERGS.

Only Lady Passenger's Terrifying Experience in the Great Ocean Race.

A little after noon yesterday the American yacht *Thistle* reached the Lizard, tenth in the great ocean yacht race for the Kaiser's Cup. During the night and early morning Hillegarde, Sunbeam, *Fleur de Lys*, *Ailsa*, and *Utuwaga* had successively preceded her.

Fleur de Lys was the only yacht which carried a lady on board; gales, icebergs, hair-breadth escapes, and fogs were among the sensational incidents of the voyage.

"At one time," said Dr. Stimson, the owner yesterday, "we had icebergs on both sides, and the temperature of the water was only 31deg. Then we encountered a gale which lasted nearly three days, and for two days we had to lash our helmsman to his post."

"One big sea caught three men—the forward watch—and they would have all been swept overboard had they not been caught in the mainsheet. One poor fellow had several ribs broken. At one time the current carried us back nineteen miles." Miss Stimson said she was none the worse for the trip, and had been on deck every day, except when she was battered down during the gale.

RIVIERA EXPRESS TRAGEDY.

Two Ladies Fall from Train, and One Is Cut to Pieces.

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.)

PARIS, Thursday. —The express between Genoa and Vintimille has been the scene of a tragic accident.

Signora Palazzo and Signora Ida Rizzoli, both from Turin, left the restaurant car to return to their compartment in the train. No communication had, however, been established, and both ladies fell on the line between the carriages.

Signor Rizzoli, the husband of Signora Rizzoli, who was following them, leading their little daughter by the hand, had barely time to throw himself backwards.

The body of Signora Palazzo was found cut in pieces. Signora Rizzoli escaped with only a broken leg. The whole train passed over her without touching her. Her foot was amputated in the Oneglia Hospital.

GROSVENOR JEWEL THEFT.

No Arrest Made, but Police Have Their Own View of Culprits.

There has been no arrest in connection with the sensational theft of jewellery, worth £6,000, from the Duchess of Westminster at Grosvenor House.

The police have, however, certain suspicions which may lead to the discovery of the person (or, as is thought more probable, persons) who committed the theft.

The chief loss is that of the pearl necklace, strung in two rows, matched in size, shape, and colour, and clasped with diamonds. There are ninety-nine pearls in the necklace, of a total weight of about 900 grains.

CARE FOR HIS PETS.

Mr. George Edwin Crisp, of Playford, Suffolk, one of the proprietors of "Sundering Soothing Powders," who left estate valued at £19,366 11s. 3d., directed that his dogs should be disposed of in accordance with instructions contained in a memorandum deposited with his will.

Ellen Wilson, a Hull woman, died in the infirmary yesterday from blood poisoning, caused by pricking her finger a week ago.

YOUNG MONARCH'S BAPTISM OF FIRE.

King Alfonso Shows Coolness in
Face of Death.

KINGLY COURAGE.

The King of Spain was abroad early in Paris yesterday morning and proceeded about the duties of his high office as monarch and as a great nation's guest with a calmness and cheerfulness of spirits that made it difficult to believe that on the previous night a dastardly attempt had been made upon his life.

The further investigations proceed as to the outrage the more apparent is the cunning and vile deliberation with which the perpetrators attempted to kill the young King as he was returning from the gala performance at the Opera on Wednesday night.

Captains Schneider and Garnier, of the Cuirassiers, and one of the Republican Guard, who were riding beside the carriage, were thrown from their horses, and the animals were injured by fragments of a bomb which, says a lady spectator, was thrown by one of three men, who lighted the bomb under the gates of the Louvre.

Directly after the affair, says the Central News, the Spanish monarch, turning to the officer, asked: "Are you wounded, captain?" "No, sire," answered Captain Schneider. "It is nothing." "God grant that what you say may be true," replied the young King.

On the arrival of the royal carriage at the Palace d'Orsay it was discovered that the horses had been cut in many places by fragments of the bomb.

FRANCE'S IDOL.

Boy-King's Fearlessness Captures the Hearts of Parisians.

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.)

PARIS, Thursday. —The attempt on the life of the King of Spain last night has caused a feeling of horror here and, indeed, throughout France.

According to the "Echo de Paris," the bomb fell under the left wheel of the King's carriage on the side. The bomb exploded with a large yellow flame such as is caused by green powder. The young man who was arrested after the explosion was very roughly handled by the crowd. He is a chemist's assistant named Arsene Arnaud, and lives in a small hotel, where a search has been made.

In addition to this young man four others have been arrested. One is an Englishman, the others are Spanish, and later in the day the police took into custody a Spanish journalist named Malato.

The splendid courage displayed by his Majesty himself has made him the hero of the French nation. In wiring the news to his mother he merely described the outrage as "a little incident," and on speaking of it shortly afterwards he jocularly remarked: "I have received my baptism of fire without having been to war."

M. Loubet, in his message to the King's mother, paid a high tribute to her son's bravery and composure.

This was reflected in his conduct to-day. He attended Mass at the Church of Sainte Clotilde in the morning and in the afternoon, attired in Field Marshal's undress uniform, and accompanied by M. Loubet, he witnessed a review of the troops at Mourmelon-le-Grand.

It is estimated that about fifteen people were injured by the bomb.

A second bomb, which had not exploded, was found on the route of the royal procession.

MIDNIGHT TELEGRAMS.

Among the 50,000 persons present at the Ascension Day Mass celebrated by the Pope at Rome, yesterday, were Lady Egerton, Lord and Lady Jersey, and Lord Minto.

Cossack regiments at St. Petersburg have been reinforced by order of General Treppoff as a precaution against any rising following the promulgation of the Emperor's coming manifesto.

Mr. C. J. Bonaparte, a prominent lawyer of Baltimore, succeeds Mr. Paul Morton as Secretary of the Navy in the United States. He is a grandson of Jerome Bonaparte, King of Westphalia.

If his widow consents, the Parisian Police-sergeant Francois, who was mortally wounded by a dangerous criminal he was about to arrest, will be buried in the grave of the "Victims of Duty," at Montparnasse.

Mr. Morgan, the English Alpinist, with his son, has successfully made the first ascent this season of the Wetterhorn. The difficulties proved less than expected, considering the recent bad weather. The summit of Mont Blanc is reported in very bad condition for climbing.

"BATTLE OF THE SEA OF JAPAN."

Togo Christens His Memorable Victory Over the Russians.

MIKADO'S MESSAGE.

His Majesty Declares That the War Will Be Long.

The Emperor of Japan, in his messages to Admiral Togo and his navy, congratulates the victorious Admiral on an unprecedented success.

Togo has given the battle the name of "The Battle of the Sea of Japan."

News has been received that Admiral Folger was killed in the conning-tower of the Oosliabia during the early stages of the battle.

It is reported from St. Petersburg that the Japanese armies in Manchuria are engaged in the execution of a vast offensive movement.

"LOYAL AND BRAVE."

Mikado's Rescripts to Admiral Togo and the Victorious Navy.

TOKIO, Wednesday.—The Emperor of Japan has issued the following Rescript to Admiral Togo:—"Our combined fleet encountered the enemy's fleet in the Korean Strait, and after a desperate battle, lasting several days, annihilated it, accomplishing an unprecedented feat."

"We are glad that by the loyalty of our officers and men, we have been enabled to respond to the spirit of our ancestors."

"The future war is long, but we hope that you, who are loyal, brave, and faithful, will secure a successful result."

The Imperial Rescript to the navy is as follows: "Our navy, with the best of strategy and great courage, has annihilated the enemy's squadron and answered our hope. We appreciate deeply your splendid success."—Reuter.

TORPEDOES' DEADLY WORK.

Admiral Togo's Seventh Report Shows Their Grim Utility.

The following telegram, dated Tokio, May 31, 6.30 p.m., has been received at the Japanese Legation in London:—

"Admiral Togo's seventh report, received on the morning of May 31—

"From reports of various divisions under me, it appears that the Oosliabia being seriously damaged at the early stages of the battle of May 27, left line and sank at 3 p.m."

"The Sissoi Veliky, Admiral Nakhimoff, and Vladimir Monomakh, already suffered heavily. At mid-day, May 25 (7.28), and at night they were so damaged by our destroyers and torpedo-boats that they were completely put out of action. They were discovered next morning drifting near Tashima by our converted cruisers Shinano-Maru, Yawata-Maru, Tainan-Maru, and Sado-Maru, but sank before they could be captured. Their survivors of about 915 were taken up by above-mentioned converted cruisers and people on board."

"It is certain from the statements of prisoners that the Navarin was struck by four torpedoes from our torpedo flotilla on May 27, and sank."

"Regarding the damages of our fleet, the subsequent reports show that during the night attack of the 27th, the torpedo-boats 34th, 35th, and 69th sank, but most of the crews were rescued by their companions. Otherwise no ship whatever was lost. The damages to the larger vessels, including the destroyers, were very slight, and none of them was incapacitated for action."

"Our total casualties are now estimated at 800."

DEATH WITH EVERY SHOT.

Eye-witness Relates the Terrible Events of the Great Battle.

A graphic description by an eyewitness of the great naval battle has been forwarded by the special correspondent of the "Daily Telegraph."

The scene, he writes, was superbly terrible. The guns of nearly fifty warships were being fired, and now and again a great crash was heard as the loud reports concided.

Admiral Rojestvensky was practically defeated within a few hours. Hesitation was displayed in the tactics of his fleet, and this proved the forerunner of utter confusion.

The spectacle was grand and awe-inspiring in the extreme, and with every breath I drew I knew that it only heralded the passing of souls from life to death.

The Russian fleet broke into utter disorder. The vessels no longer preserved their formation, but

went along on a zigzag course. Some pointed their stems to the east, others to the west, and at that moment it became evident that Admiral Rojestvensky was completely defeated.

At 8 p.m. the Japanese destroyers and torpedo-boats went forward. There was no turning back.

Like a great cloud of locusts the little craft dashed forward. The sea was swept by the pale tracks of innumerable searchlights. The work of the day was over; the work of the night had begun.

The Japanese large warships, which had so well found the range of the enemy in the light of day, covered the attack. Beneath the shells from the great cannon the tiny vessels darted forth, to sting and sink the enemy.

The Russian fleet continued to respond to the fire, and a sea battle took place by night, the sweeping searchlights lighting up the decks of the ships, while the flashes of the guns bejewelled the blackness. There was not a moment of lull, and at two o'clock in the morning the fighting was fierce and intense.

Nobody who did not witness the greatest naval fight since Trafalgar can imagine the scene.

MOVE ON THE LAND.

Marshal Oyama Reported To Be Executing a Great Offensive Movement.

The commencement of a great offensive movement by the Japanese armies in Manchuria is announced in an Exchange message from St. Petersburg.

It will be remembered that Oyama and Togo were reported to have agreed to strike their blows simultaneously, and now that the menace of a Russian fleet in Eastern waters has been removed, an attempt by the Japanese Commander-in-Chief to push the advantage home is not likely to be long deferred.

A Reuter message states that Kuroki's army has been informed of the extent of Togo's victory. The soldiers received the news quietly, but with the deepest satisfaction.

RIOTS FEARED.

St. Petersburg Still Only Half Awake to the Extent of the Disaster.

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.)

ST. PETERSBURG, Thursday.—St. Petersburg is hardly yet fully alive to the magnitude of the disaster. Judging by the scenes in the streets one would think nothing untoward had occurred.

In restaurants small knots of men earnestly discuss the question of the hour. The wildest rumours are current, owing to the censor's action in making public only half the truth.

Naval officers when approached refuse to discuss the matter or express any opinion concerning the probability of peace, pending the publication of a full report.

A Russian journalist in close touch with Ministers tells me that the news was received by them with the utmost consternation. Serious rioting is feared, but it is considered improbable that the defeat will stay the Tsar and the Grand Dukes in their determination to continue hostilities.

Professional and business men shrug their shoulders and say, "Didn't I tell you what would happen?" Students smile and slap one another on the back. The general comment is, "Neat, wasn't it?"

St. Petersburg is sick at heart—sick of the war. The general opinion seems to be that the disaster will probably cause trouble at home, but will not bring peace.

EVAN ROBERTS NOT TO WED.

Miss Annie Davies Gives a Denial to the Current Report.

Miss Annie Davies, who has done so much by her beautiful singing to help the cause of the revival in Wales, absolutely denies the report that she is engaged to Mr. Evan Roberts, the well-known revivalist preacher.

Interviewed at Nantyllyn by the "Western Mail," she said: "I know there are many rumours about me, and people say some very ridiculous things about us, simply because I have been working with him."

"People do not know how near to God he is. If they knew, they would not say such things. Yes; it is wonderful how near he is to God."

PATTI'S ONLY CONCERT.

The London musical season is at its height just now. Yesterday there were many important concerts. Mme. Patti gave her only concert of the season at the Albert Hall, and a huge audience welcomed the famous prima donna and offered her beautiful floral tributes. Mme. Patti sang Tosti's "Serenata" and other arias in splendid style. Miss Ada Crossley made a reappearance, and many other artists took part.

Mr. Wood held his last symphony concert of the season yesterday afternoon, and gave a grand Wagner programme to a big audience.

PRINCE AND FASHION.

New Style in Trousers Suitable for Morning Wear.

SARTORIAL CHANGES.

The Prince of Wales is leading the fashion in clothes. It was observed at the Imperial Institute yesterday morning that his Royal Highness was wearing trousers with a broad double pleat at the side, a smart innovation which since he has adopted it will now become general.

According to a well-known West End tailor, the Prince, as he appeared yesterday, was attired in the latest and correct style for morning wear during the present year.

His Royal Highness wore:—

Silk hat, slightly bell-shaped, small curled brim;

Black morning coat with braided edges; single-breasted waistcoat without white slip; grey cashmere trousers with dark stripe, no creases, with double pleat at sides, rather long; patent leather boots with decoration similar to Scotch brogues;

Stand-up collar with corners turned down square; dark blue silk tie with red stripes; pale blue linen shirt with white spots;

Light tan gloves with three black silk bands on back of hand.

Early Victorian Coat.

The King has also brought about a fashion change. His Majesty wore a blue frock-coat at the races recently, thus reviving a style in vogue with the strapped trousers of the early Victorian period.

New York is even more advanced. Trousers are being creased at the sides and not in the front, while more advanced still certain young dudes are appearing on Broadway with V-shaped slits cut in the sides at the bottom of the trousers.

Others are wearing straps, a fashion in vogue with the bright-coloured frock-coats of 100 years ago.

The Prince and Cotton.

The reason for the visit of the Prince of Wales to the Imperial Institute was a private inspection of the Exhibition of the British Cotton-Growing Association, organised under the auspices of the Board of Trade.

His Royal Highness was attended by Sir Arthur Bigge and Sir Charles Cust, and was received by Professor Wyndham Dunstan, F.R.S., and Sir Francis Hopwood, Permanent Under-Secretary to the Board of Trade, who accompanied the royal party round the galleries and explained the various exhibits.

The chief purpose of the exhibition is to show the nature and importance of the new movement to promote cotton cultivation in British territory and to illustrate the necessity of having a regular and abundant supply of raw material for one of the greatest industries.

QUACK MEDICINE.

Woman's Death Alleged To Be Due to a Patent Cure.

"Quack remedies," said the coroner at the inquest yesterday at Rotherhithe on a woman who is believed to have died through taking a patent medicine, "either contain no drugs at all or drugs in stronger doses than any doctor would prescribe."

The woman had taken the medicine against the advice of her husband. She rapidly grew worse, and, in spite of medical care, died.

Further examination is necessary before the cause of death can be definitely proved.

STRAWBERRIES PLENTIFUL.

Good Crops Expected Despite Heavy Damage Done by the Recent Frosts.

In spite of the sharp frost which did much damage to the strawberry crops at the beginning of last week, it seems probable that the supply this year will be well up to the average.

In many parts of the country, notably Kent and Bedfordshire, the early blossom was entirely destroyed. The later crops, however, are expected to yield a fine harvest, and prices will rule very favourable to the purchaser.

Large supplies are expected from the undamaged farms in Kent, and the Cornish crop will be very large, whilst later in the season a plentiful harvest is confidently expected from Scotland.

BESIEGED BY A COW.

The inmates of a private house at Leicester yesterday were declared from making their exit for over an hour owing to a cow which laid itself on the doorstep and refused to budge an inch.

ELECTION IN EPITOME.

Spirited Contests at Whitby and Chichester—Others in View.

Although the general election has been indefinitely postponed, a miniature general election is actually taking place.

At Whitby, Chichester, North Donegal, Cork, Carlisle, and East Finsbury, contests are now, or will shortly be, in progress.

The Unionists are bringing all their energies to bear on the situation. The Prime Minister, rapidly throwing off his indisposition, will to-day attend two important functions—at the great Conservative meeting at the Albert Hall, and at the evening party to Unionist candidates given by the Marchioness of Londonderry.

Whitby polling took place yesterday, and the result will be declared at 2 p.m. to-day. Mr. Gervase Beckett, Conservative, and Mr. Nod Buxton, the Free Trade candidate, spent a very busy day among the 10,500 electors in this scattered constituency.

Lord Edmund Talbot, who seeks re-election at Chichester to-day on his appointment as Junior Lord of the Treasury, will know his fate to-morrow.

Should Mr. Gully be advanced to the peerage, a vacancy will be caused in the Penitentiary Division, but neither side has selected candidates yet.

Mr. J. Allen Baker, L.C.C., will again contest East Finsbury in the Liberal interest. No Unionist candidate has yet been adopted.

Next Thursday the United Irish League Convention will select a candidate to contest North Donegal.

From West Aberdeen comes the news that Dr. Farquharson, M.P., Liberal member since 1880, will not seek re-election owing to the state of his health.

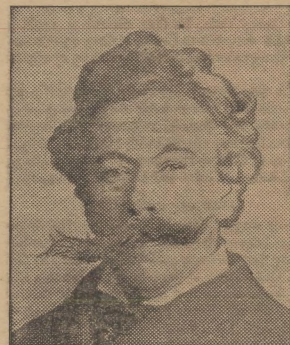
MR. H. C. RICHARDS, M.P., DEAD.

Lawyer Who Was Proud of Being a "Middle-Class" Conservative.

A Parliamentary vacancy has been created in East Finsbury by the death yesterday morning in a London nursing home of Mr. H. C. Richards, K.C., M.P.

He was only fifty-four years of age, and entered Parliament in 1895, having previously thrice un-

LONDON M.P. DEAD.



Mr. H. C. Richards, K.C., M.P. for East Finsbury, died yesterday morning in his fifty-fourth year. He was a successful lawyer and journalist and a staunch churchman.

successfully contested Mr. Bradlaugh's seat at Northampton. He was born at Hackney, and was always proud of being a "middle-class" man. One of the hardest workers in the Conservative Party, he was proud of having addressed 3,000 political meetings in the last twenty-five years.

Especially interested in Army questions, he was a strong supporter of the Volunteers. He defeated his Liberal opponent at the last general election—Mr. J. A. Baker—by 2,174 votes to 1,827.

The funeral will take place on Monday afternoon, at 8.30, at the Farm School Cemetery, Redhill.

MACKEREL AND MEDICINE.

"He calls out mackerel so often that I have written it on my prescriptions and labels," declared a Norwich chemist yesterday, giving evidence in a case in which a fish dealer was summoned for shouting fish to the annoyance of residents.

The defendant was fined half-a-crown.

Having regard to repeated Government declarations that the Colonial Conference next year shall be free and unfettered, Mr. John Campbell has given notice to ask Mr. Balfour whether he will arrange that the Conference shall be open to the public Press.

PLAYING THE "LADY OF QUALITY."

Labourer's Daughter Fails in an Ambitious Role.

FARCE AND PATHOS.

Kate Betts, the pretty, stylishly-dressed, eighteen-year-old daughter of a labourer living at Cuddington, near Aylesbury, made a sorry figure in the dock at Windsor yesterday, when she was charged with obtaining money, food, and lodgings by false pretences, and eventually committed to a home.

She cried piteously while letters were read in court showing how grievously her parents had suffered by her constant misbehaviour. To one person the girl had defrauded her mother wrote:—

I am writing to tell you that my daughter Kate ran away once before, and we asked the police to watch her. They did so and sent her home.

My daughter Clara went to the police-station again, and they told her as Kate was over eighteen years of age they could not interfere with her business, also that her parents are not responsible for her now.

I cannot send you the money as my husband only earns 13s. per week.

I have five little children and nothing I could turn to money. I am more like a mad woman than anything else, my head is so bad. I feel afraid I shall go out of my mind all through trouble about Kate.

She is a bad, wicked girl, and the only one of a large family who has brought disgrace upon us. I think it will drive me quite mad when it is seen in the papers.

Sometimes I think she cannot be right in her head why she does not go into service and earn an honest living. I wish I was dead, out of it all.

Parents Will Not Attend Police Court.

The superintendent of police at Aylesbury wrote to another person who complained to him:—

In reply to your letter of the 29th inst., I have caused the parents of the girl to be seen.

Her father, George Betts, a Cuddington labourer, says he has had a deal of trouble with her, and she is beyond control. Her parents will not attend the police-court at Windsor on June 1, as they wish the law to take its course. They would be glad for their daughter to be got into a home.

Eighteen months ago she obtained money under similar circumstances in this district, but no proceedings were taken.

A Buckinghamshire superintendent of police wrote the following:—

Kate Betts lodged in Hencroft-street, Slough, from the 19th to the 28th inst. She paid for her first night's bed and breakfast, but none since.

She stated she would pay, as she had an income of £2.2s. per week, and was going to stay here till she could find a divorced woman named Hopkins.

Betts has called at several places attempting to collect for Dr. Barnardo's Homes, but no complaint has been made to the police of this.

And this is the experience of a resident at Ealing:

I have seen the case of Kate Betts, alias A. K. Belmont and Nellie Blake, remanded. This girl came to stay with us on April 10 for the night only, but stayed and had board and lodgings until April 17.

She then went away, saying she would not be many minutes, but did not come back; not only that, but also took 4s. 6d. from my wife's bedroom.

Three weeks ago I caught her still in Ealing, and she confessed before a policeman that she took the money, and promised to pay by the Monday or Tuesday of the next week. I did not like to charge her then, thinking it was her first offence.

WOMAN'S JEALOUSY.

Serious Sequel to Visitation from the Green-eyed Monster.

A revolting case of wife-stabbing occurred at Gillingham, Kent, early yesterday morning.

About half-past three in the morning Emily Flynn, who had been waiting up for her husband, set out to look for him.

She found him at a house in Livingstone-road, and, furious with jealousy, struck him in the face with her open hand.

"Now, it is my turn," said Flynn, picking up a table-knife, and at once stabbed her in the back. Patrick Flynn has been arrested, and will be charged to-day.

"BOARDERS."

In a husband and wife case at Willesden yesterday the wife's address was Willesden Workhouse and the husband's Pentonville Prison.

BARRING A DEITY.

Officials Refuse To Let a Sacred Bull Come to England.

On the coast of France, even at Dieppe, stands Shiva, the Destroyer in the Hindoo Trinity, in which Brahma is the Creator and Vishnu is the Preserver.

The deity suffers from a serious defect, however, for it takes the form of a white bull, strangely tattooed, "so runs the description," with mystic arabesques and symbolical devices "that should be its passport anywhere. But the Customs officials will not let it pass.

In vain a woman of Shiva, who is a sort of high priestess to the deified bull, appealed both at Dieppe and Calais. The Customs officers were importunate, and preferred to risk all kinds of Oriental threats rather than sanction an infraction of the regulations.

The woman of Shiva is in the depths of despair. The ox is unmoved, yielding himself with weary resignation and calm content to his daily wash and brush up.

In answer to the high priestess's solicitations, made through the medium of a Hindoo youth, who knows a little French, the polite Customs officers announce that probably if they allowed the bull to pass the cold-blooded English would slaughter it—even if it is Shiva the Destroyer.

EARL'S STOLEN JEWELS.

Lord Chesterfield Gives Evidence Against Man in Custody.

The Earl of Chesterfield gave evidence at Marlborough-street yesterday against a man named James Cottrell, charged with the theft of about £400 worth of his lordship's jewellery.

Cottrell had attempted to pawn a ring, made out of part of a link, at a pawnshop in Seven Sisters-road.

This link the Earl of Chesterfield identified as forming part of the missing jewellery. It was given to him as a present about ten years ago.

A previous conviction against Cottrell for receiving stolen jewellery was proved by the police, and he was committed for trial.

"SOMETHING WRONG."

Judge's Severe Comments on the Methods of a Municipality.

Judge Rentoul passed some very strong comments yesterday at the Old Bailey in sentencing Alfred Chitty, a Lewisham rate collector, to six months' hard labour for embezzlement.

"For a person to be able to commit frauds for five or six years without discovery proves conclusively that something is wrong," remarked his Honour.

It was stated that Chitty deferred the rendering of a receipt for a day or two in many instances, covering his shortages with the money received but temporarily unaccounted for.

His salary was £200 a year, and it was urged on his behalf that he had got behind in his payments by reason of a long and expensive illness.

"CATHERINE WHEELS."

Mr. Plowden on Increasing Motor Peril in London Streets.

Mr. Plowden yesterday announced that he considered it the duty of every magistrate to send to prison, without the option of a fine, any person found guilty of driving a motor-car while drunk.

Fortunately for William Augustus Lear, charged with recklessly driving a motor-car and being drunk, only the first charge could be conclusively proved against him, and he escaped with a fine of £5, with 7s. 6d. costs.

In inflicting the fine, Mr. Plowden remarked that the streets of London were becoming more perilous every day. Everything on wheels went faster than it ever did before.

Every wheel might be called a Catherine wheel, so rapid were the revolutions; and pedestrians were kept in constant fear of them.

FORTY MILES AN HOUR.

"I was letting her out," said Herbert Johnson, when stopped on the Portsmouth road for driving his motor-bicycle to the danger of the public. The defendant, who was fined £5 and costs, was driving at the rate of forty miles an hour.

STOLEN VESTRY CLOCK.

The vestry clock of St. Stephen's Church, Lewisham, changed its usual quiet and sedate surroundings for those of the Greenwich Police Court yesterday.

It had previously enjoyed a short spell at the brokers, being pawned for 4s. In connection with this rather violent case of environment, Charles Walkley, an Army pensioner, who holds the Distinguished Service medal, stands remanded.

PRINCE OF RASCALS.

Bogus Captain and His Affairs of Gallantry.

DIARY OF A SWINDLER.

There are bogus captains, and bogus captains. Some are more bogus than others.

A very very bogus captain was sentenced yesterday at the Old Bailey to a term of five years' penal servitude for a series of frauds which the Common Sergeant hardly adequately described as "astonishing."

"Captain Philip Trevor," alias Captain Horrocks, alias Dr. J. Lowe Warren, alias Dr. Gray, alias Mr. Murray, alias a number of other imposing sounding names, came out of Pentonville Prison on April 3 last.

From that date until May 12, when he was re-arrested, the "captain" had an amazing holiday in which, by his own confession, he swindled hotel-keepers, tradesmen, and cab-drivers every hour of the day.

When he first left prison he spent a few days in Paris. The record of this trip was not presented in Court yesterday, but his doings after he came back were set out in a statement, at once naive and independent, which he made to the police.

Gallantry on Cheap Terms.

This is a précis of the "captain's" adventures:—"I met a Mme. Olga Mascotte at Burlington Arcade. I ordered a bouquet for her, and did not pay for it, telling the florist to send the bill to the Carlton Hotel.

"I engaged rooms and a carriage at the Carlton Hotel, and at the same time at the Buckingham Palace Hotel. On the same day I also hired a cab. I got rid of the cabman by sending him to an imaginary address.

"I drove in one of the carriages to the florists'. The bouquet was too large to go into the carriage, so I hired a hansom, and took the flowers to Mme. Mascotte's flat. I then sent the cabman to Paddington on a bogus errand.

"I drove in the Carlton Hotel carriage to the Star and Garter, Richmond, with Mme. Mascotte. We stayed the night at Richmond."

And so the first day of the "captain's" London holiday ended. The next day's doings were even more peculiar and extensive:—

"We went up to Waterloo, leaving Madam's luggage behind, and hiring a cab, made several calls. I went to Lloyds Bank, in at one door and out at the other. Then we went to Peter Robinson's, where I ordered goods worth £150. I told them to keep my cab waiting, and to send to Lloyds Bank, where there was a sum of £200 in my name.

Took Madam's Purse.

"At Peter Robinson's I put on an overcoat worth three guineas. Mme. Mascotte gave me her purse to hold and her watch. After this I took the opportunity to slip away with the purse and watch, leaving her and the cabman behind.

"The afternoon I sold the watch as old gold for 35s. The same night I met another young woman, and arranged to stay with her."

It was urged in his defence that he had been at King Edward's School, Birmingham, and that his family hoped to reform him by sending him abroad when he was released. He had been discharged from the Army—where he was a ranker, not a captain—for overstaying his leave, and then he began his naughty adventures.

But the Common Sergeant was obdurate, and sent the bogus captain to penal servitude.

WHAT IS A CREST?

Captain in Trouble for Dragon's Head on Newspaper.

The question, "What is a crest?" was considered at Bow-street yesterday, but no decision was arrived at.

The query arose from the action of Captain Beresford, of Bedford-court-mansions, in using notepaper on which was embossed what his counsel described as "the head of a sea serpent or an enraged dragon."

Captain Beresford had the temerity to write to the Commissioner of Inland Revenue on a sheet of this notepaper, and was promptly summoned for using armorial bearings without a licence.

Mr. Simpson, for the prosecution, urged that there was a wreath or bar under the enraged dragon's head, and that this constituted an armorial bearing.

Sir A. de Rutzen adjourned the hearing of the summons.

£210,000 FOR ART TREASURES.

At Christie's yesterday the sale of the Hawkins collection of unset precious stones concluded, producing £217,681. This sum makes the total for this remarkable collection up to the present nearly £210,000.

MARRIAGE TANGLE.

Woman's Remarkable Story of Her Matrimonial Ventures.

A remarkable marriage medley came to light in the Divorce Court yesterday when the King's Proctor intervened to prevent the decree nisi granted to Mrs. Hunter, against her husband, a native of Leeds, being made absolute.

Soon after the marriage, which was almost a boy and girl affair, the couple went to America, but Mrs. Hunter returned to England three years later. Afterwards, hearing that her husband had died of yellow fever in Florida, she married an engineer-driver on the Hull and Barnsley Railway, named Overstall, who, however, was killed soon afterwards.

In 1892 she married a Mr. Ashton, but hearing in 1902 that Hunter was still alive, they separated.

She heard that Hunter had married again and had had three children. She obtained a decree nisi against him, but the King's Proctor now intervened in respect to her conduct, whilst a stewardess on one of the Wilson Line of steamers, with Captain Turner, who commanded the vessel.

Asked yesterday why she had said nothing about this, she replied that she was ashamed.

Judgment reserved.

WASTED YOUTH.

Eighteen-Year-Old Youth's Dissipation Leads to a Charge of Forgery.

A youth only eighteen years old, named John Mickle, was yesterday committed for trial at the Guildhall on a charge of forging a cheque for £27 17s. in the name of his employers, Messrs. Burgoyne and Co.

He confessed that he had been leading a fast life and indulging in betting and bad company. He also asserted that he had been blackmailed by certain men.

The method of the forgery was peculiar in that he abstracted several cheques from one of his employers' cheque-books, and personally presented the cheque, which he is said to have forged at the bank.

The cashier paid it without hesitation, and the payment was not discovered until the firm examined their passbook.

THE DOG IN LAW.

Is It Cruelty To Aim at an Animal Without Hitting It?

The position of a dog in law was the subject of an amusing discussion at the Brentford Police Court yesterday, when William Castle, of Felix-road, Ealing, was summoned by Mrs. Buckingham for cruelty to her dog.

Asked if he could prove that a brick which was thrown hit the animal, Mrs. Buckingham's solicitor replied in the negative. He, however, submitted that the act of throwing at a dog was cruelty in law although the animal might not be struck.

Mr. Montagu Sharpe: Then I suppose you want the defendant bound over to keep the peace towards the dog? I cannot convict a man for using threats towards a dog.

The case was dismissed.

MR. KRUGER'S DEBTS.

British Government Not Responsible for Gold Commandeered by the Boers.

The much vexed question as to whether the Crown is responsible for gold commandeered by Mr. Kruger a few days before the South African war was the subject of an important decision in the West Courts yesterday.

The Late Rand Mining Company, from whom the late President Kruger requested monetary accommodation according to the somewhat Bohemian methods of warfare, urged that in taking over the two South African Republics the Government took over their liabilities—including that for commandeered gold.

The judgment of the Lord Chief Justice and others, said the Attorney-General, on behalf of the Crown, demurred to a petition of right presented by the company alleging that two parcels of gold, amounting to £3,804, had been seized by the officials of the South African Republic. In respect to these the Government had made no payment.

The territories were annexed to her late Majesty's dominions, and the Republics ceased to exist. Therefore the demurrer was allowed with costs.

ARMY OF ACROBATS.

"I saw defendant and about a thousand more boys and girls turning somersaults in Lambeth-road," said a constable to the Westminster magistrate yesterday in giving evidence against a youth of seventeen.

The lad was discharged on promising to desist from acrobatic performances.

PIGMIES WHO DESPISE GOLD.

A Sovereign Merely Sniffed At and
Thrown Away.

SHYNESS NO FAILING.

Six distinguished foreign visitors arrived on a launch at Charing Cross Pier at three o'clock yesterday afternoon—Messrs. Mongongo, Mangani, Mafoti Mengi, and Mattoka, and Mesdames Marobi and Goorigi.

They are the pigmies from Central Africa about whose trip to England there has been so much discussion.

The magnificence of Charing Cross Station and railway bridge did not overawe them, and after being photographed—an affliction to which they are becoming quite accustomed—they sauntered carelessly up the steps, and with nonchalant dignity entered a couple of "growlers."

They were all clad in warm overcoats and other garments of flannel, with red leezes. Mr. Mangani was enjoying a good cigar "like a Christian, as one of the spectators put it." Mr. Mongongo, though the youngest of the party, is the most fluent conversationalist in Swahili, and consequently takes the leadership. He is eighteen years old, and 3ft. 3in. high, about the size of an average child of six.

BISSUIT BOX AS TOM-TOM.

During their voyage on the ss. Orestes, Mongongo became a great favourite of the sailors. On the last night he ranged all the stokers in single column formation, and marched them round, solemnly beating a biscuit box at their head in place of a tom-tom.

When the last sheep was to be killed the "little people" were taken down to view the animal. At the sight of the huge fleecy monster, however, they fled chattering in all directions.

But a couple of horses that were on board did not excite fear in the mannikins' breasts. They playfully ran to and fro under them.

They have not yet learnt to desire "filthy lucre." Mangani, the senior member of the party, on being presented with a sovereign merely smelt it and threw it away.

CHRISTY MINSTRELS OF NATURE.

The four gentlemen always sit far apart from the ladies. At intervals the men will suddenly begin chattering; then, springing to their feet, they burst into a mournful chant, executing a weird dance, varied by a "walk round." It is surmised that this display may have a religious significance.

Goorigi, who is said to be the wife of a great chief, has certain claims to beauty, and is haughty of demeanour. She has "nothing to do with the other people."

All wear rings on their fingers, and Mongongo, who is something of a beau, also wears a handsome bead necklace.

Their sense of humour, though subtle, is undeniable. Without a word of warning they will suddenly gaze fixedly at each other for a moment and then burst into shrieks of laughter for no apparent cause. Though it would not be surprising to learn that Europeans sometimes appear as comical to them as they to us.

SHERBORNE'S PAGEANT.

Dress Rehearsal Perfect and Financial Success
for White Week Assured.

Sherborne, the little old-world town on a Dorsetshire hill, was in an ecstasy of delight yesterday. Every townsman felt that after the amazing success which had attended the previous day's dress rehearsal of the great historic pageant all England would flock to the performance in Whit-week.

The rehearsal had gone as smoothly as a final public performance, and as all the players were Sherborne men and women, with recruits from the county families, their elation was justified. Mr. Louis N. Parker, who is responsible for the greater part of the pageant, was delighted with its success. "Originally I expected 200 players attired in serges and flannels," he said to the *Daily Mirror*. "Instead, I have a cast of 800, attired in the most gorgeous silk and satin and armour."

EVERYTHING MADE ON THE SPOT.

"Every man, woman, and child"—and there are many children in the pageant—"belongs to the district, and practically all the costumes and weapons have been made by local workers."

"I had a guarantee fund of £2,000, provided by those most closely interested, but practically all the seats for the first three performances have been sold, and we are already sure of clearing all expenses."

"Only four of my 800 performers—names, by the way, will not be made public—have ever acted before. But everybody found in the spirit of the thing splendidly. I think that more realistic 'stage crowds' have never appeared at any theatre."

Interesting pictures appear on page 8.

LAST NIGHT'S NEWS ITEMS.

For the entertainment of the King and Queen in Manchester next month the city council has voted a sum of £5,000. An amendment to limit the expenditure to £1,000 was withdrawn.

Postcards in London covers with the addresses on the envelopes are, the Postmaster-General has just decided, "contrary to regulations."

Young plane trees are to be systematically raised at Sevenoaks by the Southwark Borough Council in order eventually to border the streets in the borough.

Antlers of the red deer have just been dragged out of the peat under the sea at Withernsea, Yorkshire, by a local fisherman. They date from the glacial period.

The Rev. R. Oakley, curate of High Wycombe, died yesterday from injuries received ten days ago when he was thrown from a motor-bicycle in a test run of 100 miles.

"Spooning" couples on bicycles who ride with interlocked arms constitute a serious danger, said the Judge at Salford County Court yesterday with reference to a claim for damages caused by a collision.

Mr. Arnold-Forster has consented to receive a deputation from the town councils of Chatham, Gillingham, and Rochester, who want the War Office to reconsider the proposal to remove the Royal Engineers from Chatham.

If a well-dressed stranger who saw a child fall into the Ancoats Canal, near Manchester, had put one foot in the water he could have saved the little one's life. At the inquest yesterday the callous stranger was strongly condemned.

Germans in Edinburgh are preparing as a wedding gift to the Crown Prince a beautiful morocco-bound album of views of Scotland.

Trooping the colour was rehearsed yesterday on the Horse Guards Parade by the Coldstreams in preparation for the King's birthday.

In England and Wales, outside London, there were during the last twelve months 837 convictions of motor-car drivers.

Responsibility was fixed yesterday by the Board of Trade on the driver and fireman of the engine which collided with a workman's train at Saltash, Cornwall, on March 27.

"Worse than the County Council," was a woman's description of her husband at Tottenham yesterday, when the magistrate asked her what her husband's occupation was.

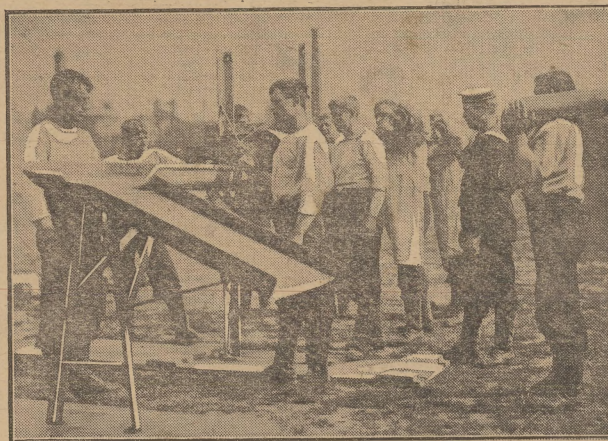
Not a single person was under police supervision in the City of London at the close of the year, states the "City Press," and not one habitual thief resided in one square mile.

In furtherance of the entente cordiale the Clarinco Fire Brigade has been invited to attend the fêtes at Ivry-sur-Seine on June 11. Colonel Fox, of the Salvage Corps, will also attend.

Mr. Prelyman stated yesterday that 600 members of pigeon clubs have been enrolled in the Corps of Pigeon Owners, who will, on the outbreak of war, offer their birds for the use of the Admiralty.

Disputing about the war in the Far East, a party of foreign sailors at Barry Port came to blows, and a Norwegian was seriously stabbed by a Russian Finn, who now stands committed for trial.

ADMIRAL PERCY SCOTT'S LATEST INVENTION.



The inventor of the famous carriages for big guns has just introduced to the Navy the contrivance photographed for use in gun-loading practice. It consists simply of the breech of a gun with a tray behind it. It prevents the wholesale loss of expensive shells which happens when a real gun is used and fired every time it is loaded during practice.—(Cribb.)

Owing to an epidemic of measles, several cases of which have terminated fatally, the elementary schools at Tiverton, Devon, have been closed.

"Motor-car drivers are requested to leave this house where it is," reads a notice affixed to a house at the corner of Hackwood-road and London-road, Basingstoke, Hants.

Between Newcastle-on-Tyne and Ponteland a new railway, seven miles in length, was opened yesterday. The passenger service will be carried on by auto-cars on the rails.

Artists of the Belgian Musical Festival were entertained at supper last night by the Lyceum Club. The Duchess of Somerset and Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Lyttelton were among the guests.

Greenwich Borough Council has decided to house the Roman remains, recently unearthed in the park, in one of the new free libraries, which with Mr. Carnegie's assistance, are being built in the borough.

Mr. Alfred Frank Aldridge, the well-known auctioneer of King-street, St. James's, appeared in the London Bankruptcy Court yesterday. Gross liabilities were given at £33,323 and assets £1,020 11s.

Portions of a curiously damaged cable have arrived at the Natural History Museum from Hong Kong. White ants had eaten into it, passing through tarred rope, lead, twisted rope, tape, hemp fibre, and indiarubber.

London's death-rate for last week was 14.6. As the returns for the preceding three weeks had been 14.5, 14.7, and 14.1, the average for the month was only 14.5, being 1.7 per 1,000 below the mean rate for the corresponding periods of the last ten years.

Mr. Thomas Hardy, the novelist, is sixty-five years of age to-day.

Unless rain falls in fair quantities during the next fortnight, the hay, straw, corn, and mangold crops will be the shortest there have been in North Devon for years.

Among Swedish residents in London a movement is on foot to celebrate the approaching marriage of Prince Gustavus to an English Princess by a wedding gift.

Metal reservoir lamps, and oil with a flash-point of 100 degrees, were declared at the inquest yesterday to be the only preventive of such fires as caused the death in St. Luke's of a child named Walker.

King Alfonso will present Archbishop Bourne with a costly chalice at Westminster Cathedral next Tuesday morning. The chalice is the gift of the Queen-Mother to the "Spanish" chapel in the Cathedral.

"Wealthy and kind-hearted ladies" are appealed to in the "Morning Post" by an advertiser who is "a poor lady engaged to be married in the middle of next month. Help is required towards a plain wedding trousseau."

As Bishops of Gloucester and Llandaff respectively the Rev. E. C. S. Gibson and the Rev. L. P. Hughes were consecrated by the Archbishop of Canterbury at Southwark Cathedral yesterday.

For two hours the Court of Common Council yesterday discussed the proposed L.C.C. tramways over Blackfriars Bridge. It was resolved to refer the Corporation opposition to a special committee to consider and report. Strong hostility was expressed to the widening of the bridge.

JAPANESE VICTORY FELT IN THE CITY.

Better Conditions Reign on the
Stock Markets.

CONSOLS IMPROVE.

CAPEL COURT, Thursday Evening.—There was no mistaking the better tendency on the Stock Exchange to-day, and it may be safely put down to the removal of the fears of an adverse development in the Far East, which the crushing Japanese victory has afforded.

At the same time, with the turn of the month there come better money conditions. The Bank Return to-day did not reflect them, for, of course, with the turn of the month, there are the movements to the country to consider. This would account for the reason why the reserve was £312,000 lower. But the ratio of reserve to liabilities is still very high at 504 per cent. The Bank Returns are likely to make a very strong showing during the next few weeks.

Consols were quoted ex-dividend at the finish at 90½ for the account, which is equivalent to 91½ in their cum-dividend form. They have been even better than that during the day. There is a tendency to search the investment lists for cheap stocks which have been overlooked, and to-day Lagos new scrip, which was badly placed when it was brought out, has risen to 11s. 16d. count, as it is said that the underwriters are now pretty well out. The Bank Rate was, of course, unaltered.

SPECULATIVE RAILS IN FAVOUR.

In the Home Railway market there was not much improvement in the leading investment stocks, in spite of the improved condition of the Consol market, but several of the speculative stocks were in favour. Brighton A and Dover A gained as a result of the Epsom traffic, and partly on other considerations.

But, taking the market all in all, it has not so well responded to the rise in Consols as have some other sections.

There was still said to be a little uncertainty as to liquidation in Americans. But no trouble was developed at the settlement, and at first the tendency was to put things a trifle higher. The upward movement was not maintained, and this afternoon New York even showed weakness, this gathering in volume on various stories as to equitable disclosures. At all events, the market finished flat at considerable concessions on the day.

As regards the Foreign Railway section, movements were a little mixed. There was not much, for instance, in the Argentine Railway market, though the new Great Southern shares, with £2 10s. paid yesterday, were in decided favour at 15-16 premium, and are thought cheap for permanent holders. There is a new Argentine Great Western issue out.

FOREIGN MARKET FIRM.

In the Foreign market the main feature was the fact that we ignored that the Roman Catholic Bourses were closed for Ascension Day, and took the prices of most securities higher. The Central American lot were particularly firm, as a result, of course, of the recent Costa Rica debt scheme. Peruvians were put better, and, in fact, the whole of the South American group was firm.

Quite significant was the improvement in Russian bonds to 89. Japanese bonds were, of course, very firm, though the new scrip did not close at the best points touched. Copper shares were fairly good, but the statistics were not particularly of influence, as they showed that stocks were 789 tons down for the fortnight, but the amounts in sight 344 tons up.

It was interesting to notice that the break in Americans at the finish had absolutely no influence on Kafirs to-day. This was significant, for liquidation has been in both sections mutually, recently, and it looks as though we have now got through the worst of the trouble.

The feature to-day as regards the Miscellaneous group was buying of Harpers Bay, which took them up to 74½ and left them at the best of the finish. There was also a revival in the Chinese speculative group, after the recent spell of profit-taking, and, of course, this was based on the peace prospects.

ANSWERS TO CORRESPONDENTS.

The "Daily Mirror" will be happy to reply to its readers as to the merits of stocks and shares. It will furnish names of brokers, members of the leading exchanges, for investment purposes only. It will be obliged if readers will forward all louting, outside brokers', and bucket-shop circulars, invitations to subscribe, and other forms of pernicious financial literature that may be in circulation.

KENT COAL NEGROSSION (Seaside): No. In regard to the outside brokers, no also—TWO QUESTIONS (W. S.): We, of course, regard them as satisfactory. Preference are 28s. Ordinary 24s. But you must remember that this journal belongs to the same group. We send you the name of a broker for investment business—BANK SHARES (A. E.): We consider them high enough. London Joint Stock took cheaper at the moment. There is a decreased action in the market—MARCONI (Wireless): We regard them as highly speculative. We are not sanguine about the Trans-Atlantic business.

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DAINGEROUS WILD BEASTS.

THE attempt made in Paris to murder the young King of Spain, who will be heartily welcomed as our guest next Monday, has aroused a white-hot indignation both here and across the Channel. It is one more proof that the malicious madmen who call themselves Anarchists ought to be treated simply as dangerous wild beasts.

Here is a young man—little more than a boy—just on the threshold of a life full of cares, dangers, difficulties. He occupies a position which wins him the sympathy of all people of good will. He is kind-hearted, high-spirited, high-minded, an affectionate son, an intelligent pupil. His desire is to do his best for his country. What a warped, distorted brain a man must have to suppose that killing him could do anyone in the world any good!

That is the worst of these pestilent Anarchists. They are not ordinary criminals. They do not reason in the ordinary way. They really believe in their foggy, narrow minds that to assassinate a Sovereign is useful work. So far the ordinary methods of punishment have not had the effect of stamping out this form of rabies. There remains another way of dealing with them which might have more effect.

When a bomb-thrower is caught red-handed, a justly infuriated crowd usually makes an attempt to lynch him. As a rule he is rescued with difficulty by the p-l-ice. Why not let an Anarchist or two be lynched on the theatre of their deadly crime? The thought of suffering their penalty at the hands of their fellow-creatures without any delay or ceremony of law would probably have a most salutary effect upon the rest.

PROTECTING SLUM-OWNERS.

At the special meeting of the London County Council to-day a regrettable fact will be announced—the fact that the Government do not intend to act upon one of the wisest suggestions made by the Physical Deterioration Committee.

The suggestion was that large towns should be given power to obtain the names of all owners of property within their areas and to keep them on a public register. This would make it quite simple to deal with the owners of slums as they deserve to be dealt with.

Many horrible, insanitary, over-crowded places belong to comfortable, highly-respected people who contribute to missions, go to church regularly, and thank God they are not as other men are. Never a thought do they give to the unhappy wretches who inhabit their noisome slums—unless the rent is behind-hand. Then the agent hears of it.

If a register were compiled of the owners of all slum property in our great towns, the public would be vastly surprised, and probably the shame-faced landlords (and landladies) would be driven to treat their tenants less like pigs and more like human beings.

It would be quite easy for the Government to get a Bill passed to give large towns this most necessary power to call for the names of property-owners. Until they can do this it is a matter of great difficulty to find out who are responsible for slums. The Prime Minister should be pressed to revise the decision of the Local Government Board.

A THOUGHT FOR TO-DAY.

Some read to think—these are rare; some to write—these are common; and some read to talk—and these form the great majority.—C. C. Colton (1780-1832).

THIS MORNING'S GOSSIP.

AN attendance almost as large as that of Wednesday is expected at Epsom to-day. The King and the Prince of Wales and the Duke of Connaught will again go down from Victoria, but Prince Arthur of Connaught will not be present, as he left London last night for Berlin for the marriage of the Crown Prince of Germany. During the last two years Prince Arthur has developed a kind of genius for "getting on" with people. He made a most favourable impression on the Pope last December; he paid the most tactful compliments to the King and Queen of Italy at the christening of his son; and when he was still in his teens he won the heart of the Shah of Persia, whom he showed round London when King Edward was convalescent after his operation.

This latter mission was the first of the kind he undertook, and by far the most difficult. It is not always easy to please the Shah. The "King of Kings" has an awkward way of asking (that things should be done which can be done only in the East. Thus, when he was shown over Newgate Prison, and saw the fatal chair where condemned men sit to be hanged, he remarked: "Try it on one of my followers"; as he did in Paris when he was shown the guillotine. He had to be politely in-

dict, where he lay inextricable for some time. The Crown Prince is, in spite of these vicissitudes, less of a man of action than his sailor brother, Prince George, the favourite nephew of Queen Alexandra. He is very well known in German society, for his wife, the Princess Sophie, is a daughter of the late Empress Frederick. The Prince met her first, I think, at Homburg. When her father, the late German Emperor, died, he left a message for his daughter, the young Princess's bride, which was an eloquent testimonial to her good qualities.

His tablets were handed to her after his death, and on them faintly traced in pencil, were the words: "Continue as noble and good as thou hast always been. This is the last wish of thy dying father." The present Kaiser stipulated, when his sister married, that she should not be requested to join the Greek Church; and nothing, in fact, was ever said to her about it. But when her first son was born the Princess made the change. The thought that she would otherwise have nothing to do with her son's religious education was intolerable to her.

Lord Charles Beresford, as youthful as ever, leaves Victoria to-day for Malta, where, on Tuesday, he takes up his Mediterranean Fleet command. No

LAST NIGHT'S PINERO REVIVAL AT THE HAYMARKET.



Reading from left to right the "Cabinet Minister" puppets so deftly handled by Mr. Pinero represent Mr. Charles Bryant, Mr. G. M. Graham, Miss Jessie Bateman, Miss Winifred Emery, Mr. Cyril Maude, Mr. Eric Lewis, and Mr. Norman Forbes.

formed that, as Ibsen says, "people don't do these things" for fun.

Everybody sympathises with the Duchess of Westminster in the loss of her valuable jewels, but everybody cannot help wondering, all the same, why prominent people do not take greater precautions to guard their precious possessions. A season never passes now without some loss of this kind. Indeed, people are beginning to adopt the plan of having duplicate sets of diamonds, and of wearing the false ones while the real shown safely in the cellars of Coutts's Bank. I was shown some time ago in a well-known jewellers, whole sets of "copies" being made for the use of society women. They looked to me quite as fine as the originals.

The Duchess of Westminster has been very strong since her marriage, and is only now beginning to go as much into society as people expected. Miss Cornwallis-West's marriage with the Duke of Westminster was one of the unquestioned "love matches" of the day. The affection between the two began, it was said, when the Duke was seven, and they then celebrated a kind of preliminary marriage with the assistance of "Daisy" Cornwallis-West (now Princess Henry of Pless), who read the service, without understanding a word of what it all meant, out of the family Prayer-book.

The fall from his horse which the Crown Prince of Greece has just suffered, near Bari, is not his first accident he has had. Three years ago he overturned his motor-car, near Athens, into a

boat he would guess, looking at him now, that as a boy he was so delicate that his friends scarcely expected him to live. It is said that when he first clambered on board the Marlborough, to begin his life at sea, a tough old boatswain remarked: "A poor little beggar who ain't long for this world." Lord Charles has, fortunately for England, managed to weather the storms of life pretty successfully, in spite of the pessimistic boatswain.

Even in those early days, too, he had the spirit, if not the physique, of a sailor. When a man fell overboard on a certain bitterly cold night, when his ship was off the Falkland Islands, it was "Charlie" Beresford who plunged in and rescued him. Years afterwards, when the rescuer was speaking at a political meeting, a formidable person, rubicund and apparently indignant, was seen elbowing his way to the platform. "Chuck him out!" said somebody. But no move moved, and it was discovered after all that the formidable person only wanted to wring Lord Charles's hand. He was the man rescued by him years before.

The Duchess of Marlborough's afternoon reception at Sunderland House was one of the chief events in London yesterday. This beautiful house, which originally was to have been called Blandford House, is one of the finest in London, and the Duke and Duchess are constantly adding to their beautiful collection of tapestries. The Duke is an excellent judge of works of art—a taste he inherited from his father, the late Duke, who was an extremely clever man.

THROUGH THE "MIRROR."

WHICH IS THE EXTRAVAGANT SEX?

Miss Florence Farndale talks of men "drizzling away small sums all day long." But it would take a good many "small sums" to make up for the £20 spent on a woman's dress. And, how long would the dress last? J. E. Hampstead.

Does "True Economy" call cigars at £4 a hundred "little things"? or 15s. worth of cabs a day a "little thing"? or an average of 6s. 6d. for lunch in the City every day a "little thing"?

If so, my husband is not "really extravagant," and I, who do not smoke, ride in omnibuses, lunch for 9d. at a tea-shop, and dress on £50 a year, am.

I WONDER.
The Green, Richmond.

RELIGIOUS ILLIBERALITY.

The attack on Lord Edmund Talbot for being a Roman Catholic complicates the Chichester election very much.

I belong to the Church of England myself, and I am particularly anxious to see the present Government turned out. Yet I shall vote for Lord Edmund as a protest against the monstrous illiberality of mind displayed against him.

I am sure many others will do the same. The narrow and degrading tactics of the Church Administration will probably get the Conservative candidate in.

SUSSEX SQUARE.

OUR OFFICERS.

Several mornings lately there has been a muster of Foot Guards on the Horse Guards Parade. One part of the evolutions they perform consists in a number of officers strutting solemnly across the ground, like children at a dancing academy, to the music of the band.

Why should it be necessary to make these poor young men (one or two of whom are so small as to be almost dwarfs) look supremely ridiculous in the eyes of their men and the spectators? The way they thrust their feet out is irresistibly comic. Even in Berlin I never saw this kind of silliness.

Hotel Windsor. H. M. R.

A DOG WITH A BAD NAME.

In answer to Mr. Bulley I do not confirm anything which he has said. In his first letter he made the foolish statement that Socialism meant robbery, and he still states that it "entails the greatest injustice."

He does not give any sensible reason for making such an assertion. Apparently he does not grasp the injustice of the present system with all its "one-honoured institutions."

Mr. Bulley is wrong in his statement that Socialism was tried at the time of the French Revolution. Socialism does not mean merely collectivism; it goes far deeper than that. It is the gospel of humanity.

W. B. RAMSEY.
Tiverton-street, Grimsby.

A WOMAN OF THE HOUR.

Mme. Yvette Guilbert.

TODAY we welcome the eccentric singer back in London, where she is to begin, next week, a series of afternoon recitals of "Pompador" and "Crimoline" songs at the Haymarket Theatre. She is becoming quite Anglicised nowadays, and we are flattered—even if it does detract somewhat from her own particular charm.

Years ago people used to say that she was a caricature of herself. That was when she took Paris by storm in a week.

She and her mother had been left penniless. The plucky girl took a place in a shop and amused her fellows with little songs and recitations. They advised her to go on the stage. A manager heard her, and engaged her at a microscopic salary. She made a name and he a fortune.

She was thinner than the proverbial lath, and when she appeared on the stage in her simple white dress and long black gloves, and her little street songs, sung with deep intensity, she struck Paris as something "new."

She is a very different person to-day. She is no longer sylph-like, but rather what one might call "comfortable." Her round face has a look of contentment and well-being and bears the smile of an acknowledged wit.

She has no hobbies except her work and her country home in Normandy, where she pretends to be a milkmaid, like so many other French celebrities.

IN MY GARDEN.

JUNE 1.—June has not arrived to find the garden burnt up by a rainless May. Tuesday's thunderstorm has set everything budding and growing in real earnest again.

Is there anything lovelier than a garden after rain? The scents of the lilacs, rockets, double narcissi, sweetbriars, hang heavy on the moist air. Dripping laburnums, chestnuts, may-trees (all in full bloom) seem touched with a more perfect beauty.

Nearly all the spring flowers are over. Already the snowdrop leaves have faded quite away. But when we remember that June brings a wealth of roses, peonies, rhododendrons, and half a hundred other gorgeous flowers, many of us will be content to let the poets weep solitary tears over the lost primroses.

E. F. T.

REHEARSING the SHERBORNE PAGEANT



An interesting series of photographs of the tableaux in the great historic pageant to be held at Sherborne on June 12, 13, 14, and 15, taken at the dress-rehearsal—1. Death of King Ethelbald at Sherborne, A.D. 860. 2. First cross set up at Sherborne by St. Ealdhelm, A.D. 705. 3. Expulsion of the Monks and Abbot Barnstaple, A.D. 1539. 4. Sir Walter Raleigh's servant throws water over his master, thinking he is on fire, owing to the smoke from his tobacco pipe, A.D. 1583. 5. Old English Maypole dance. 6. Sherborne School receives its Charter, A.D. 1550. In the centre is a portrait of Mr. Louis N. Parker, who has "written and invented" the pageant.—(Elliott and Fry.)

NEWS V

PRINCE SETS NEW



The Prince of Wales set a new fashion for trousers having a raised seam at the side crease. He was leaving the Imperial Exhibition of the new Cotton Exhibition when out.

SOCIETY ENGAG



The engagement of the beautiful Miss of the late Colonel Howard Irby, to S 2nd Life Guards, has just been announced. The wedding will take place in the autumn.

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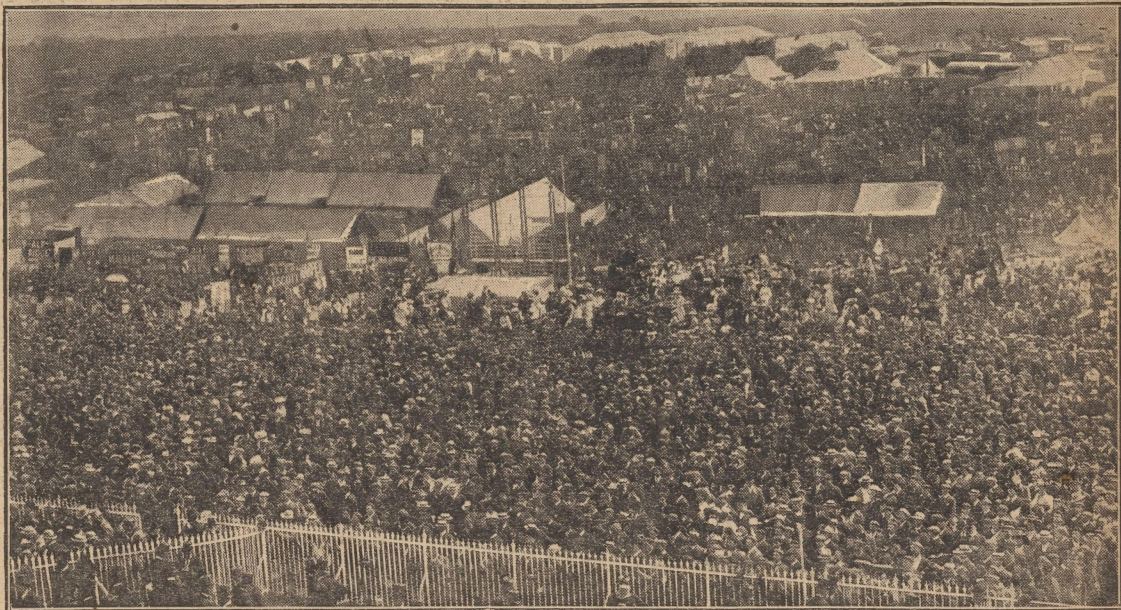
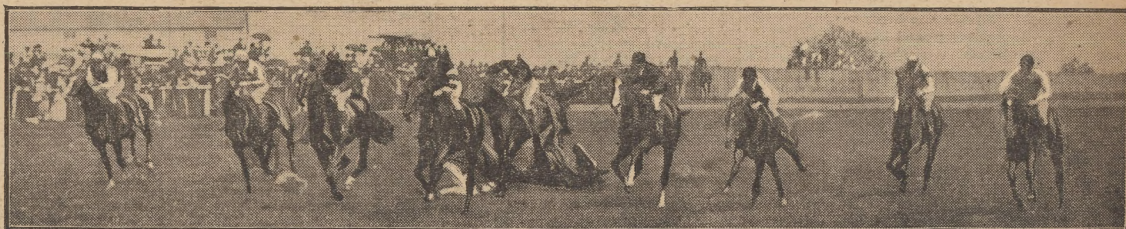
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TWO REMARKABLE DERBY DAY PHOTOGRAPHS.



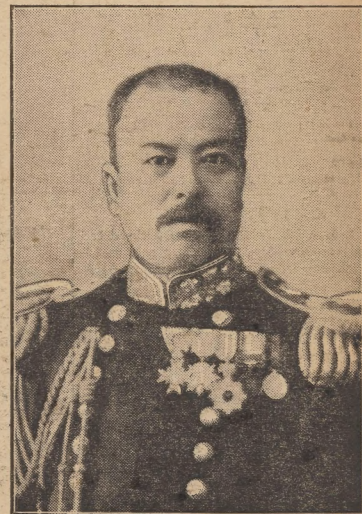
A snapshot of the race for the Juvenile Plate taken at the moment when the accident occurred by which Evans, one of the most promising of our younger jockeys, lost his life, and a remarkable camera picture of a portion of the vast crowd that assembled on Epsom Downs to watch the race for the Derby. It will be noticed that the picture actually shows horse and rider on the ground.—(Frith.)

YESTERDAY IN HYDE PARK.



The first day of June was marked by hours of brilliant sunshine, and in the afternoon the Park was thronged by a crowd of people wearing the brightest of summer clothing. Parasols and straw hats were very much in evidence, though a certain number of men were faithful to the regulation silk hat and frock coat.

JAPANESE ADMIRAL WOUNDED.



Admiral Misu, of the Japanese Navy, who is reported by Togo to have been slightly wounded during the great battle in the Straits of Tsushima.

ON "GOING TO THE DOGS."

By One Who Has Been There and Back, and Found the Journey Full of Pain and Heart-Breaks.

HOW FRIENDS FAIL.

Going down in the world is a very rapid process. As Josh Billings says: "When a man begins to go down hill, everything seems greased for the occasion." And yet the descent is accomplished by such easy stages, that it is with something of a shock that you suddenly realise that, although last night you were driving to your club, to-night you are walking the streets for want of the necessary fourpence which would procure your entry to the coveted "doss-house."

First comes the fatal announcement of the failure of your hopes and prospects—you do not realise the blow—you have some money, perhaps not so much as you were wont to squander in a day, but you will economise, and it will do. You determine to keep a stiff upper lip, and leave the world none the wiser. The first friend you meet immediately asks: "Why, what's the matter? Anything wrong?"

"No," you reply, in affected surprise. "Why?"

"Nothing; only I thought you looked rather down in the dumps."

This is a dash of cold water in your face. You realise that you are on the first stage of the journey.

THE CURSE OF SHABBINESS.

Your second stage commences when your money is gone, but you still have clothes and credit. You think it is high time to be doing something. You have a friend in a splendid position who might put you into something. You call; he receives you cordially, you sit and chat in the old familiar way. When you take leave you venture to mention the real object of your visit. His manner suddenly drops to about the same level as yours. He is still polite, and very, very sympathetic, but you feel he is not, and can never be again, to you what he has been up to that moment. He regrets that he can do nothing for you, at present; if he hears of anything he will let you know.

He never hears of anything; at least, he never lets you know. If you meet after that, he is full of business, and cannot spare a moment to speak to you—you might want to borrow money.

In the next stage, your wardrobe shows signs of deterioration—and your credit is severely strained—in fact, may be said to exist solely on the condensation of your landlady. You grow shabbier day by day. It is astonishing how people wear and tear, and how they are under the baneful influence of impecuniosity. Your trousers and boots seem literally to rush to their own destruction. And when a threadbare spot appears it is invariably in the most conspicuous portion of your attire.

After that you shrink from meeting acquaintances, and unconsciously take to back streets and by-ways, seeking to escape notice. The remnant of your old self that clings to you becomes distaste-

ful. You lose pride and do not care how shoddy you look. Your hair is longer than you have worn it by half an inch, and your moustache takes a downward curve, with an uncertainty of colour and a raggedness of outline that no amount of grooming will rectify.

You are making frantic efforts to get into employment of some kind, and interview all sorts and conditions of men without avail. You are treated as though you were taking a great liberty in asking the favour to be allowed to work for your bread. Your easy, well-bred manners desert you; you can no longer enter a room easily and naturally, but sneak in as though afraid of the sound of your own footsteps.

In time the last vestige of your credit disappears—even the patience of your landlady is exhausted, and you must either beg her to let you retire to the last time in the bed that has been your own so long. The thought of the morrow—houseless and shelterless—deprives you of the rest you sorely feel the need of.

I will not further indicate your path, but you will find it ever trending downward. Every day you will find yourself a step lower than yesterday, and at every step you will encounter beings worse off than yourself—like milestones—to point you the way you are going.

You never seem to reach the bottom of the scale. In fact, the most remarkable thing about it all is that there seems to be no stopping-place when once you are on the way to the dogs.

RUSSIA'S CRY OF PAIN.

A Parliament and Peace Demanded by the St. Petersburg Newspapers.

Everyone is anxious for peace.—"Razoyet." On all sides the cry is "Stop the War."—"Listok."

We cannot have peace abroad till we have peace at home. The nation should be consulted ere it is too late.—"Bourse Gazette."

There are other feelings affecting Russian minds more important even than sorrow and humiliation.—"Svet Otechestva."

Representatives of the Russian nation must meet immediately. The mind of all Russia is needed.—"Novoe Vremya."

If the war is to go on, the nation must give its consent to that course.—"Slovo."

We are beaten, even so: what of it? Let us continue on land till we secure victory.—"Sviet."

Neither peace nor the further prosecution of the war ought to be decided upon without the aid of a national assembly.—"Russ."

TO-DAY'S BOOKS.

PETER BINNEY, UNDERGRADUATE, by Archibald Marshall, Alston Rivers, 2s. 6d. The fourth edition! "Syllabus" for its popularity.

LOVE IN JUNE, by Koble Howard, Chapman and Hall, 6s. A pastoral comedy. A very prettily told tale of an old maid and a small country village. It is all light and pleasing, especially the village scenes.

A VILLAGE CHRONICLE, by Katherine S. Macquid, 6s. A series of stories told by the wife of the rector. Though not very brilliant, they are told in continuous form.

A GUARDSMAN JAPANESE, by Sadi Grant, Dugby, Long, 6s. The story of an English girl, who becomes the bride of a Japanese, and then his widow.

the right to claim her and force her to accompany him wherever he wished.

And then, at that moment Dolores resolved that rather than risk such a possibility she would on the first opportunity possess herself of broken humanity's last friend. A little blue bottle, giving everlasting sleep, should henceforth accompany her wherever she went. With that she would fear her husband's presence and Vogel's threats less keenly; she would be sure of keeping her promise to Arthur, and her resolve that no man but he should call her wife.

She thought quickly, rapidly, as the train hurtled its way through green fields and waving woods to London.

What had happened to Arthur? He could hardly be a prisoner in Vogel's hands. That was too wildly improbable; it might happen in romance, but hardly in real life. Some means had been found to prevent him joining her at the junction. He had been detained whilst Hilary was dispatched to intercept her and take her back to Vogel—or take her away himself.

She shuddered convulsively; the thought could not but fill her with a dreadful fear.

Dolores knew the world, and was not afraid of fighting her own way through it; she was not afraid of any man's attentions. But this one man, the platform right. Like all women her ideas of law were vague; she only knew it as a powerful machine, a sort of juggernaut car which, once started, no single human being could stop.

She began to repeat acting so hastily at Burham Junction: if she had not entered the train, but of any man's attentions. But this one man, the platform right. Like all women her ideas of law were vague; she only knew it as a powerful machine, a sort of juggernaut car which, once started, no single human being could stop.

There she could have disclaimed all knowledge of him, refused to know him, and claimed the protection of the simple and confiding stationmaster.

But once in the great city it would not be so easy. There a crowd would gather, a crowd willing to side with the man, a crowd ready to make the platform a scene, a vision of four-wheeled cars, policemen, and a howling mob rose before Dolores's eyes. She sat huddled against the window seat of the swaying train, staring out at the flying landscape, trying to concentrate her mind on the problem that faced her, trying to extract comfort from the

TWO REVIVALS.

Plays by Pinero and Gilbert Re-staged at the Haymarket and Criterion.

The success of the Haymarket revival of "The Cabinet Minister" is Mr. Norman Forbes. His Highland chieftain, Sir Colin MacPhail, who cannot do anything without his "mither," and gets up every morning at five o'clock to see the sunrise, is uproariously funny.

Mr. Cyril Maude as the impossibly vulgar little Jew money-lender is trying something new. He is too plainly acting all the time. His disguise is clever, but he does not seem quite at home in it.

The story (told in last Saturday's *Daily Mirror*) concerns the financial troubles of Sir Julian Twombly, a Cabinet Minister given to playing the flute, and his wife, the good-hearted, extravagant, rather vulgar woman, originally played by Mrs. John Wood, and now made quite a possible person by Miss Winifred Emery.

THE SHARPER SHARPER.

Mr. Lebanon, the money-lender, helps Lady Twombly, and in return insists upon her getting him and his sister, a fashionable dressmaker, "into society." While they are staying at Drumdurr Castle, in Scotland, with a relative of hers and a party who treat Lebanon "as if he were a snail in a cabbage," the money-lender bullies the Cabinet Minister's wife into betraying what she believes to be a Cabinet secret.

He hopes to make a fortune out of it, and so he would if it really were the Cabinet's decision. As a matter of fact it is the exact reverse. When Lady Twombly discovers this she determines to have a "little flutter" herself in the opposite sense to Mr. Lebanon. Naturally she wins, pays him off, and lives happily ever after, while he is made a fool of and loses.

Not a very moral ending, but the play is only a piece of fun from beginning to end. It is witty, like all Mr. Pinero's early pieces, and when it is played more briskly it will be most amusing.

Mr. Eric Lewis is responsible for much of the merriment. As a martyr to politics, he is very funny, and he plays the "Blue Belts of Scotland" haltingly upon the flute with an air of enjoyment that positively does one good. The rest of the company are good, but might be better.

A WIFE'S ANGUISH.

Miss Ethel Irving is now playing Mr. W. S. Gilbert's "Comedy and Tragedy" at the Criterion in front of "What Pamela Wanted," which now goes very brightly and well.

She makes a very real and heartrending person of the wife who entertains a company by reciting to them while her husband is fighting a duel outside. When she can conceal her terrible anxiety no longer, and implores them to help her, they cannot be persuaded she is in earnest. They applaud her tragic force.

Then the door opens, and her husband comes in safe, and without a scratch. Miss Irving is not a little surprised, but her own performance is very interesting.

LOST IN THE WINNING.

By ARTHUR APPLIN.

CHARACTERS IN THE STORY.

LYNDAL MAYBRICK: A charming young girl, a splendid horsewoman, and brought up at the training stables of Joe Marvis.

JOE MARVIS: A trainer of racehorses at Epsom.

SIR TATTON TOWNLEY: A middle-aged racing baronet, whose horse, King Daffodil, was expected to win the Derby.

B. S. VOGEL: A money king and an unscrupulous owner, whose horse, The Devil, won the great race.

DOLORES ST. MERTON: A fascinating grass widow in the power of Vogel. She is married to Mrs. Hilary.

ARTHUR MERRICK: A gentleman jockey, who rode King Daffodil in the Derby.

BILLY: A one-eyed stableman devoted to Marvis.

CHAPTER XXXI.

The train which Dolores and her husband had boarded was an express, not stopping once until it reached London; that was why Merrick had chosen Burham Junction.

Dolores had time to form a plan of campaign before Charing Cross should be reached, time to try and guess what had happened to Arthur Merrick.

Horace Hilary's sudden appearance was terribly ominous; it had one poor consolation in her eyes, it suggested the victory of King Daffodil. But it also suggested that their attempt at flight had been detected.

Vogel had discovered their plot, he must have been made aware of it before, or immediately after the race, and there was only one person who could have discovered it and told him—the man who had pursued her, the man who had boarded the express and who would confront her on the arrival of the train in London; her husband.

Her husband! Dolores laughed aloud in the empty compartment at the very thought. Vogel's spy, the outcast, the drink-sodden wretch—her lawful husband. He had the right to pursue her,

thought that, whatever suffering was in store for her or whatever fate, Arthur Merrick's honour had been saved and the ambition and happiness of more than one man achieved. There would be rejoicing at least in Rose Cottage that night.

She turned her head and looked across the compartment at the opposite window. Something tapping against the glass attracted her attention.

She saw a man standing on the footboard outside, swaying with the jolting of the carriage; one hand already clutched the door of her compartment, and as she watched, too surprised and startled to move, the door opened and her husband swung into the compartment, falling almost at her feet.

She rose with a frantic cry, and seizing the sash dropped the half-open window, intending to pull the communication cord and stop the train. But she was not quick enough; Hilary divined her intention and struggling to his feet he seized her round the waist and forced her back into the seat.

"Don't be a fool," he gasped. "I'm not going to hurt you."

She did not reply, but struggled to release herself, struggled to reach the window.

"Don't be a fool," he hissed again. "You'll only hurt yourself; I tell you I won't harm you; I only want to talk to you; I swear that's all. I won't touch you if you'll only sit still and listen to what I've got to say."

Dolores still continued to struggle, but Hilary possessed a momentary strength akin to madness, and he held her down on the seat.

"Sit at the other end of the carriage," she gasped, and then the struggle futile, "and I will listen to you."

"Promise me you won't attempt to stop the train," he asked, still keeping her prisoner.

"I promise," she replied coldly, "as long as you don't molest me."

He released her then, and shamefacedly slunk to the opposite side of the carriage.

"I won't touch you. Why do you fear me, Dolores? Don't you understand, don't you believe that I love you?"

"Love," she echoed, jeeringly. "You didn't follow me to tell me that lie!"

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A SPOTLESS COMPLEXION.

Facts About Skin Health and Its Maintenance.

A skin that has pimples, blotches, or spots upon it is an unhealthy skin. All such blemishes are clear proof of its unhealthiness, and you can be quite sure that until your skin is restored to a healthy condition it will still be disfigured in some way. It has already been explained in these columns that the way to remove skin blemishes is, in the first instance, by the use of "Antexema," the famous remedy for all skin troubles, but much may be done to thoroughly cleanse the skin, to maintain it in perfect health and prevent a recurrence of the trouble if "Antexema Soap" is systematically used. We say systematically because it is not pretended that using "Antexema Soap" once in the course of a week is going to keep your skin healthy. It should be used every day, every time, and it is the best soap you can possibly have for the toilet, the bath, or nursery.

WHAT ARE THE PORES?

If you do not understand the importance of the work that the pores of the skin have to perform you will not understand how important it is to keep the skin healthy. The pores are the safety valves of the body. Perspiration is not simply water as people often imagine, but it also contains waste matter which it would not be exaggeration to call poisonous matter, which the body wishes to expel. How foolish it is then to have the pores stopped up and waste matter kept in the body that ought to be outside. "Antexema Soap" is wonderful in its opening the pores. It does not merely take dirt and dust off the surface, but takes the dirt out of the pores themselves, enables them to do their work thoroughly, and so promotes the health of the whole body. That is why a wash, or, better still, a bath with "Antexema Soap" is succeeded by such a delicious sense of cleanliness, freedom, and freshness. That is why "Antexema Soap" users look so bright and healthy, and feel so energetic and equal to their work.

DEAD SKIN.

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PIGMY WOMEN FROM AFRICA.



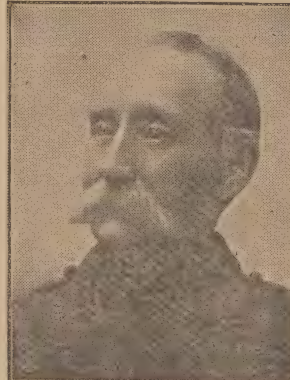
The only women in the band of African dwarfs which arrived in England yesterday are photographed. Goorigni, on the left hand, is the "beauty of the party." Marabi, on the right, is an old woman for one of the pigmy people, being thirty-nine years of age.

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AGED HERO.



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LOST IN THE WINNING.

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"It isn't a lie," he cried passionately. "Who has been lying to you, I wonder. Who has been setting you against me—I shouldn't wonder if it was Vogel," he added under his breath. "He's playing a double game, is Vogel. I don't trust him! What did he tell you about me?"

"Nothing that I didn't already know, or guess," Dolores replied coldly. She had recovered herself now; she was calm and collected again, and even as she spoke she was plotting how to escape when the train reached London.

To escape—and return to Arthur Merrick—if only for an hour; to see him once again, to congratulate him, perhaps to wish him good-bye.

But see him again she must at all costs.

"Vogel has been very good to you, hasn't he?" Hilary whispered, keeping his eyes fixed on Dolores, ready to spring forward should she attempt to open the window he had cunningly closed.

"Mr. Vogel has fed me and clothed me and helped me to meet and live with decent people—more or less," she answered bitterly. "He has performed the mere ordinary duties you promised and sworn to perform; he has provided me with the necessities of life, whilst you have been slowly drifting yourself to death in America."

"I left him money, the remnants of my fortune, the fortune he lost for me," Hilary replied doggedly. "I left him all I possessed so that you should at least want for nothing. I—I—had to go—away. I couldn't help myself."

"That's a lie," Dolores said quietly. "You left him no money."

"He says that now, but how do I know it's true? Something must have been left out of the thousands I put into his cursed gold mines."

"Those gold mines," Dolores repeated absently, "there was a big scandal about that business, wasn't there? Is that why you had to leave England? Were you afraid to face public opinion?"

Hilary edged nearer to his wife.

"Vogel hasn't told you?" he whispered.

"He only told me that you 'came a cropper'—to

use his own expression—and that, to save my honour, perhaps my life, he persuaded you to leave England, provided you with funds, and has continued to provide you with funds ever since."

"And you believed all he said? You never took the trouble to inquire for yourself what had happened to me. You never attempted to come to my rescue when you knew that I had 'come a cropper.' Of course not," he sneered. "You behaved like the average woman—your husband goes broke so you run away from him."

Dolores did not reply: she was thinking—thinking how to escape.

"Of course, I know that you did not marry me for love; it wasn't Hilary the man that you married, but Dugger Bank, the gold-mine. Oh, I'm not blaming you for that, you were young and innocent at the time."

Dolores turned fiercely on him with almost passionate fury.

"Yes—thanks to you, I have been robbed of youth and innocence, the greatest gifts a woman ever possesses. Thanks to you, I was robbed of those long ago."

Hilary drew a little nearer.

"You are still young, Dolores, and more beautiful than ever. And if you see men and women as they are and the world stripped of its garment of

purety, yet you are still pure. You know good and evil, but you yourself are not evil."

She laughed and looked at her husband.

"Yes, that is what I came to tell you, Dolores," Hilary cried, spreading out his hands appealingly.

"If only you'd listen; if only you'd believe. You hate and distrust Vogel, so do I. But he mustn't know yet, not yet awhile. Now that I've done his dirty work I'm free!—Oh, God, the joy of being free! And once having freed myself from his power I will free you, Dolores, too. And then, and then"—he lifted his face, pale and infinitely pathetic now, his cheeks stained with tears, a great longing in his eyes: "And then—I am going to free myself from—the vile thing that has ruled me so long, from the Devil Drink."

"You won't refuse to help me, to save me—I am your husband, I love you—and I'm rich now," he cried, springing to his feet with sudden wild excitement, his pale cheeks flushing. "Rich—independent—I can feed you, clothe you, protect you—I am rich—I am free—once again."

Dolores clutched the arms of the seat and stared at her husband with a new fear dawning in her eyes.

"What do you mean—rich now? Who has given you money, how have you become—rich?"

"The Devil has made me rich," Hilary chuckled.

"The Devil whom I served, but serve henceforth no longer. To-night we claim our reward from Vogel; to-morrow—"

"Your reward—our reward? What for—what do you mean?"

"You know what I mean," he cried. "For without your help I should have lost, we should have lost. The Devil won and we're going to Vogel to claim our share of the winnings."

"It's a lie," Dolores cried, springing to her feet and confronting her husband with blazing eyes.

"It's a lie—King Daffodil won, Arthur won—"

Horace Hilary laughed softly.

"So—I understand now—you left before the race." He laughed again. "Mr. Merrick did not intend to win—he pulled his horse over the rails. It was splendidly done—and Vogel is waiting to congratulate you."

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Two or three pairs of corsets should always be kept going, for corsets, even more than boots and shoes require to be rested, and this cannot be done without changes. If they are not rested they not only grow soiled, but constant wear affects their shape, however well made they may be, and in a few weeks the one pair is no longer fresh.

How To Arrange the Laces.

As to the lacing of the corset authorities differ, but all agree that just as much care should be taken every time in putting on the corsets properly as was done at its first; that is to say, the figure must be put into them and the laces then be pulled up, for merely putting the corsets on and snapping them together is not enough. There is no possible excuse for wearing round laces. They are no stronger, and show through the summer gown in the ridges they cause. Always use flat ones.

Corsets should always be loose when they are put on, and then drawn in to fit. If they are tight when they are fastened they give the figure cramped and awkward lines. A little hint worth knowing is not to cross the laces when bringing them round to be tied, for this causes a pressure and cutting from the lacing over the spinal column, and in some cases is really painful. Many corseteers recommend that the laces be tied at the back.

Every woman should know that corsets should never meet at the back. The figure will not look as well as otherwise if they do; and the pressure of the back bones is uncomfortable. About two inches apart is a good rule for the top; if wider, it throws too much fulness at the back of the sides and makes the back look broad.

It is a wise woman who changes frequently the corsets she is wearing, and in the end this also makes for economy. Those worn when walking in the morning should never be worn with close-fitting frocks in the afternoon, but when morning corsets wear them, previously worn in the afternoon can be taken for hard usage, and new afternoon ones be bought.

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Burned, embroidered, painted, and stitched leathers in small quantities are used upon many of the light-weight cloth frocks seen now.

Irish crochet ornaments and guipure of the embroidered linen variety, so heavy that they seem to belong to the passementeries rather than the laces, appear on everything from linen to cloth. Smart parasols are of fine white silk embroidered all over with large dots and lined with a silk checked in white and the colour of the dots.

Checked silk, preferably of a large size, is used under plain voile or other fine wool fabrics with a good effect. A pretty frock seen recently was composed of very fine white voile over bright red and white checked taffetas, and was trimmed with white braid and pipings of red.

A plain closely-fitting waistcoat of white piqué is a great favourite among Parisians, and adjust-

able collars and cuffs of the same material are also seen upon many severely tailor-made costumes.

Embroidered linen belts of every kind are to be popular this summer, and some very pretty examples are made of plain linen buttonholed in small scallops at the edges. They are of the crush kind, and are sold in sets with turnover collars and cuffs to match.

Suspender fittings and corset clasp sets are among the extravagant little things of the moment. One of the latest suspenders is made of soft satin ribbon gauged over elastic and finished at the joining with a bow. At the edges frills of two inch

that have been fashionable of late. Flexible, flat, ribbon-like gold bracelets are modish even with tailor-made frocks.

The leather chataigne is still a great favourite. To a strap fitted with little gold buckles is fastened a small leather purse with gold fittings. On the other end of the strap is a ring, to which are attached by tiny straps, each with its minute gold harness buckle, a small notebook and pencil, a round ball case containing a powder-puff, a vinaigrette, and several other trifles, all covered smoothly with leather and finished in gold. A belt to match accompanies the chataigne.



Numbers of very beautiful toilettes are being worn in the revival of "The Cabinet Minister" at the Haymarket Theatre. Miss Winifred Emery's Court gown of the first act is shown above—a superb frock of cloth of silver shot with blue, draped with lace, and ornamented with a huge peony and embroidered feathers, sparkling with diamonds. The train is of turquoise velvet. The other gown is one worn by Miss Nancy Price, a red and white taffetas frock, piped with white, and completed by a black ceinture and much Valenciennes lace.

wide Valenciennes lace is gauged with an effect that is altogether lovely.

The fingerie parasols are among the season's successful fads. One model is carried out in fine white linen, with a bunch of heavily embroidered violets upon each panel, apparently held together by embroidered ribbons. Embroidery carried out completely in white or a self tone is considered smarter upon these parasols than a contrasting colour.

Gauge buttons, made by sewing the smallest imaginable frill of lace round and round in circles on a big covered button mould, ornament the fronts of some of the smart linen coats.

Summer corsets in a very heavy white silk openwork net, with bonings covered by heavy narrow white satin ribbon and with bindings and trimmings of white satin ribbon, are a costly translation of the cheap openwork summer corset. They are shaped with the greatest care and skill, and are exceedingly comfortable.

Scuffs of silk mouseline with scalloped and embroidered edges and embroidered floral motifs at the ends are charming for wear with picturesque gauge summer frocks, and still more dainty as the accompaniments of fine white muslin gowns are scarfs of the very finest French muslin or batiste bordered by hemstitching or scalloped and buttonholed all round and exquisitely embroidered in white at each end. Some of these have, in addition to elaborate floral designs at the ends, tiny embroidered sprigs scattered all over the surface.

The short sleeve is unquestionably reinstating the bracelet, and the broad bracelet, too, rather than the inconspicuous chains set with cabochon gems

HINTS FOR THE HOUSEHOLD.

EMERGENCY NOTES OF MUCH UTILITY.

Ink stains on any kind of cotton fabric should be soaked in milk before the ink has had time to dry.

Silver vases are now being used instead of cut-glass for decorating the dinner-table.

To brighten a carpet rub over the entire surface with a solution of oxgall or household ammonia and water.

Kerosene should be poured through the drain-pipe of a sink at least once a month. It will be found most effective in getting rid of collected grease.

Knives with cut-glass handles are among the newest things to be seen in table cutlery. These handles are durable, and are said to stand true change from very hot to very cold water without the least damage.

Marble surfaces should be cleaned by being rubbed with a paste made of a large lump of Spanish whiting and a teaspoonful of washing soda in enough water to thoroughly dissolve the whiting. Rub the paste on with a flannel cloth, leave it for half an hour, and then wash it off with warm water and dry it carefully.

In order to freshen up gilt frames wipe them with a cloth moistened with oil of turpentine and let it dry without rubbing it; or, after the frame is care-

fully dusted, it may be washed with the white of three eggs into which an ounce of soda has been beaten. If the frame has been scratched, showing the wood underneath, touch the scratches up first with a good quality of gold paint.

COOKERS OF RICE

The Japanese excel in cooking rice, and their method, which is exceedingly simple, is as follows:—Put one cup of rice, which has been thoroughly washed, on the fire with five cups of boiling water. Add salt, and when it has boiled hard for a quarter of an hour set the saucepan uncovered in a moderate oven. In fifteen minutes the water will have evaporated, and every grain of rice will be found separate and distinct.

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A lady writes: "I don't believe anyone ever suffered from dyspepsia worse than I did for 30 years, for sometimes I laid in bed for months at a time with no appetite, and what I did eat it was impossible to retain on my stomach. I was often awake all night with severe cramps."

"About three years ago I became so nervous I was almost wild. As I lay on the bed (for I could not sit up) if I looked out of the window and saw a weed growing in the grass it almost gave me hysterics, I begged my daughter to go out and pull it up, and one moment's delay on her part almost sent me into fits. Think of such a condition. Of course, she could not know the intense agony I suffered while waiting, but it was no wonder my mind was deranged, for I had scarcely slept at all for four months."

"It was at this critical time my food was changed and I commenced to eat Grape-Nuts regularly two or three times daily, and began to gain in a few days. My appetite improved and I gained in flesh and strength."

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QUEEN OF THE TURE.

Pretty Polly Beats Zinfandel and Caius in the Coronation Cup in Record Time.

From, Thursday Night.—The third stage of the meeting presented a most interesting programme, four of the races offering prizes each of £100 and upwards in value.

The King and the Prince of Wales arrived before the numbers were hoisted for the Surrey Foal Stakes. With the royal party came the Duke of Portland, Lord Farnham, and Lord and Lady Alington.

After the turmoil of Derby Day there seemed a quietude about the proceedings. Comparatively few of the general public put in appearance. But the sport was first-rate. Indeed, the meeting of Pretty Polly, Zinfandel, and Caius the Coronation Cup would alone have marked the racing with distinction.

These three great events had frightened away all other Pretty Polly, recognized as queen among a group of equine giants, appeared in her usual magnificent trim. She was accompanied by her old pal, the great Caius, who, as comforted herself, as usual, staidly and gently.

Bookmakers required long odds on Pretty Polly, although there was money for Zinfandel, who has grown into a superb type of thoroughbred. Caius carried Mr. Blane's colours. He is a high-fence horse, but not on the same plane as the other pair. Caius had been reported coughing.

Steen, who had shown such excellent jockeyship on the ill-fated Jardy in the Derby, had, of course, the mount on Caius, and he evidently had not the slightest fear that the horse would not stay. Caius has shown a great pace for more than a mile, when Zinfandel rushed to the front, but, terrific as the pace seemed, Pretty Polly at once ranged alongside Lord Howard de Walden's and cantered home an easy winner.

Cantered in an easy winner in the extraordinary time of 2min. 33.45sec.—a performance never before done over this mile and a half by any Derby winner over the course. The spectators cheered vociferously, and as Pretty Polly returned to the weighing-in enclosure she appeared so much distressed that if an exercise gallop merely had been done. Major Eustace Lord regarded this wonderful creature with sentiments which she waited the "fairly light." Caius's time, 2min. 39.5sec., had beaten all previous records. Pretty Polly's is nearly six seconds shorter, and apparently she could easily have beaten that time.

Pretty Polly's stable-companion was not so fortunate in the Royal Stakes. There was plenty of speculation upon the race, which was contested by a party of eight, and last year's winner, Delaunay, despite his wetter weight, started favourite. A quarter of a mile from home Delaunay went to the front, but he was overtaken by the Golden Gleam, a fighting factor, and, served by his light weight, Mr. A. James's colt won after a desperate race by a head. Delaunay defeating Thrush for second place by a neck.

Bachelor's Fanny ran well, and finished fourth. Orchid and Out of Sight gave a lot of trouble at the start, and the last-named finished last.

Three of the seven two-year-olds that contested the Great Surrey Foal Stakes were making their debut. These were Musley Maid filly, Gressoney colt, and Anniversary filly. Medelstone, better than at Lincoln and Sandown was smart, was made a warm favorite, fiddlers asking for 6 to 5. Mr. H. Barnato's colt, however, never ran like a winner as he did on the 15th of May, when he won the Anniversary II. went to the front and scored easily from Frusquiette, Medelstone being third. The winner is a daughter of Diamond Jubilee, and should win further races.

Sir Edgar Vincent's Donnetta won the Durdans Handicap, a race of 1,000 sovs. in smooth fashion from Ambition, Sir Daniel, Bachelor's Button, Wet Paint, and others. The same owner's colours will be carried tomorrow in the stakes by Renaissance. And for this coveted prize the following are the probable starters:—

Mr. A. Belmont's FERMENT, by Octagon—K. Cannon.
Lord Derby's VERMILION, by Octagon—K. Cannon.
Lo Reiné—O. Madden.
Mr. E. Dresden's GALANTINE, by Gallant Volant—O. Madden.
Lord Elmsmere's KOORHAAN, by Kiloek—W. Griggs.
Mr. G. Fisher's QUEEN OF THE EARTH, by Flying Fox—W. Higgs.
Mr. J. G. Baird Hay's THERAPIA, by Tarpier—Rosemount—T. Heppell.
Sir J. Miller's AMITY, by Chalmers—La Sagasse—D. Maher.
Mr. L. Robinson's COSTLY LADY, by Lady Cordorapha—F. Bullock.
Sir E. Vincent's RENAISSANCE, by St. Serf—Rinovata—W. Halsey.
Mr. H. W. Walker's CHERRY LASS, by Black Ch—H. Jones.

There is none in the field of a Pretty Polly calibre. Cherryl Lass should win, but it is not so good as when she won the One Thousand Guineas, and this filly's most dangerous opponents are likely to be Koorkhaan, Costly Lady, and Queen of the Earth.

SELECTIONS FOR TO-DAY.

EPSON.

Oaks Stakes—CHERRY LASS.
Belmont Plate—HOLME LACY.
Chipstead Plate—EL MAESTRO.
Oaks Stakes—CHERRY LASS.

SPECIAL SELECTION.

CHERRY LASS. GREY FRIARS.

RACING RETURNS.

EPSON.—THURSDAY.

1.30.—GREAT SURREY FOAL STAKES of 1,000 sovs. for two-year-olds. Five furlongs.
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FIRST TEST MATCH

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Bosanquet a Certainty for All the Test Matches.

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Interesting though Wednesday's cricket was in many respects, the great Test match still dwarfs all other cricket in interest.

England started badly. Australia recovered brilliantly from two pieces of very bad luck. I allude to the dismissal of Duff from a brilliant catch off a magnificent stroke, and the injury to Trumper just when he appeared likely to score a characteristic century.

England recovered grandly, with just that amount of luck that so often attends a forcing game; finally came the triumph of the Prince of Conjurors the "worst best bowler" in the world, who took 8 wickets out of 9, by the help of sheer genius, sheer unselfishness, and the grand support of brilliant fielding and wicket-keeping.

The Australian's Terror.

Bosanquet has often been called the "Australians' terror," but up to Wednesday this was taken by the best judges to apply to Australia only. This seems silly, but allow an explanation. The grounds in Australia on which Bosanquet has done his "big things" have been the fastest wickets in the world, and it was thought that the slower English wickets would just give the opposition time to discriminate between the apparently identical deliveries which broke different ways.

In a measure this was correct. Bosanquet got no wicket by his famous off-turner with the leg-break action merely because it was an off-turner. Moreover, bowling the off-turner he bowled more than one wicket. What, then, one might ask, is the use of this ball which has made Bosanquet a household name in the cricket world? Why, simply that every ball is a "pig in a poke" to the batsman, who is unable to set himself correctly for either the off break or the leg, because he does not know which it will be.

Batsman As Well.

Bosanquet will, of course, if he keeps fit and well, and can evade the claims of business, play in all the Test matches. Apropos of the Test match, his great bowling performance has so dwarfed his batting that one is apt to forget his innings on Monday morning was one that saved a very dangerous situation.

As Bosanquet is about the most-discussed and, if the term is permissible, idolised cricketer of the day, a small story may be excused. Seated in the pavilion was an old gentleman of didactic tendencies; in front of him two people who persisted in speaking of Bosanquet.

The old gentleman, incensed by this wrong (?) pronunciation, remarked, "I hate to hear people call people by their wrong names; a friend of mine, who is a friend of B'sanki, tells me that he says that his name is B'sanki."

English Captain's Great Match.

F. S. Jackson had a magnificent ending, if a poor start, to his first match as captain of England. When he got his 0, many were the silly remarks about "such a captain." But the men who follow the game knew what Jackson's revenge was likely to be, but even they hardly anticipated that from that moment he would be a captain such as has seldom been seen before.

Jackson handled his bowling in the most masterly manner, and bowled magnificently himself. In the second innings he had no fear, going in to bustle for specs in a very poor light, and playing fine cricket for his side. Then he most unselfishly declared when he had a hundred sitting, and declared, too, at just the right moment.

And finally Jackson proved the courage of his opinions by keeping Bosanquet on long after the many critics were declaring his tactics "sheer madness."

Australians Unlucky.

Turning to the Australians, they may fairly consider, though they, good sportsmen that they are, have taken their defeat magnificently, that the match was "no Test." After the English first innings they were consistently unlucky, and, moreover, had to play against a very one-sided crowd. The match might have been saved for them even at the end, as the light, when Kelly and McLeod were together, was unfit for play, considering that there were not only no screens, but also a "wall of black" behind the bowler's arm.

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